

MINUTES of Toronto, Vancouver & Montreal Branch Meetings 1964

1964-LSA-Toronto & Vancouver

1964-01Jan3-1	LSA-EC Minutes: Housekeeping; External Forums & internal educational, work areas
1964-01Jan3-2	LSA-Br.2 Minutes: Formation Quebec Fair Play for Cuba committee
1964-01Jan5	LSA-Br.1 Minutes: discount press reports NDP-Liberal coalition; new Cuba pamphlet
1964-01Jan12	LSA-Br.2 Minutes: Teamsters FWD slate ruled eligible in postponed election; Rail, Steel
1964-01Jan14	LSA-Br.1 Minutes: strategy for anti-war coalition elections, FPCC press conference
1964-01Jan19	LSA-Br.1 Minutes: Forum on feminism; NDP nixes H. Dowson delegate; Teamsters
1964-01Jan29	LSA-Br.1 Minutes: Demand retraction red-baiting at anti-war coalition conference
1964-02Feb2	LSA-Br.1 Minutes: Censure NDP coalitionists; comrades excluded from anti-war coalition; Defeat of Teamsters FWD slate in elections
1964-02Feb8	LSA-EC Minutes: May Day, finances, personnel
1964-02Feb9	LSA-Br.2 Minutes: Trade union reports – Teamsters, Rail, Auto; NDP expulsions
1964-02Feb12	LSA-Br.1 Minutes: Youth paper out; Teamster 938 caucus meeting; Castro pamphlet
1964-02Feb16	LSA-Br.1 Minutes: Appeals to NDP expulsions, Youth fund drive
1964-02Feb23	LSA-Br.2 Minutes: Union reports; NDP expulsion appeals
1964-02Feb26	LSA-Br.1 Minutes: NDP expulsion appeals upheld; anti-war policies; Algeria Aid set up
1964-03Mar1	LSA-Br.1 Minutes: NDP: appeal of expelled at Council, protests at clubs, Chartrand tour
1964-03Mar4	LSA-Br.2 Minutes: Union reports; NDP, Cuba student tour

1964-03Mar11	LSA-Br.1 Minutes: TCND antiwar meeting, Fair Play Cuba pamphlet and film showing
1964-03Mar15	LSA-Br.1 Minutes: NDP expulsions, party label in civic elections; Anti-war, Cuba
1964-03Mar25	LSA-Br.1 Minutes: comrade seated at NDP convention; antiwar activities; Cuba tour
1964-04Apr4	EC Minutes: Malcolm X invited to speak in the Fall; personnel & memberships
1964-04Apr12	LSA-Br.1 Minutes: Cuban ambassador at NDP meeting, antiwar benefit dinner, UAW
1964-04Apr19	LSA-Br.1 Minutes: RD criticizes Cruz; Students & visitors tours to Cuba; Hoy attacks
1964-05May3	LSA Minutes: intervention in NDP election campaign; expelled NDY youth, Cuba
1964-05May10	LSA Minutes: Discussion on VOW-antiwar, Fair Play Cuba Folk night, threats re Cuba
1964-05May18	LSA Minutes: on NDP Metro convention; coalition debate; Dr. Spock antiwar meeting
1964-05May24	LSA Minutes: NDP campus conference; sales of pamphlets at large Spock antiwar meet
1964-06Jun3	LSA Minutes: sales of Youth paper at high schools; student tour of Cuba and publicity
1964-06Jun17	LSA Minutes: sales of YSF & expulsion pamphlet at NDP; VOW-antiwar booth at CNE
1964-06Jun24	LSA Minutes: activities & a delegate to convention; picket protesting jailing of Mandela
1964-07July1	LSA Minutes: Student work tour to Cuba; new Vancouver bookstore & HQ
1964-07July23	LSA Minutes: Van statement & re-admission; S. Vietnam anti-war action, Union reports

1964-07July28	LSA Minutes: NDP delegates caucus planned; FPCC picnic and lack of contact work
1964-08Aug5	LSA Minutes: NDP convention delegates caucus strategy anti-US picket line (antiwar)
1964-08Aug12	LSA Minutes: NDP convention report; plan Youth Conference, Viet Nam picket line
1964-08Aug19	LSA Minutes: NDP by-election work (& sub drive), Cuba students tour conference
1964-08Aug26a	LSA Minutes: New Montreal HQ opening; FWD newsletter Teamsters 938; union reports
1964-09Sept2	LSA Minutes: Municipal elections policy (Kent-RD for mayor); Branch conference
1964-09Sept8-1	Financial Report to the LSA Conference (Toronto)
1964-09Sept8-2	Report on the Toronto Youth Local by J. Crandall: difficulties and expansion
1964-09Sept9	LSA Minutes: NDP meetings; Union reports; Fair Play for Cuba; Branch conference
1964-09Sept13	LSA Branch Conference Minutes: Press; Trade Union Report, Fair Play report; financial
1964-09Sep16-1 Banquet, Tour	FPCC Report: (Toronto): Branch Membership, Contacts, Publications,
1964-09Sep16-2	LSA Minutes: Forum on reasons we contest municipal elections
1964-09Sept23	LSA Minutes: Black spokesman to speak on US elections; contacts at ITU demonstration
1964-10Oct7	LSA Minutes: Youth local to form open & continuing left caucus at NDY conference
1964-10Oct14	LSA Minutes: Future external Forum topics and speakers; NDP riding reports
1964-10Oct28	LSA Minutes: Urge NDP to enter civic politics; Trade union caucus; Youth memberships

1964-11Nov4	LSA Minutes: Forums on parti pris (Quebec independence) & Malcolm X (Black struggle)
1964-11Nov5	LSA-BC Minutes: N.Van NDP support for the expelled; Reg Bullock mayoralty campaign
1964-11Nov29	LSA Minutes: Civic election drive ; awaiting Cuba decision re student tour
1964-12Dec6	LSA Minutes: Civic election activity & coverage; urge NDP to run on label
1964-12Dec9	LSA Minutes: Anti-war & Union-PÂC committees to make policy evaluations
1964-12Dec16	LSA Minutes: Small anti-war conference; decisions on locations of planned actions
1964-12Dec23	LSA Minutes: Anti-war movement tactics, member suspended from VOW; Union TUA
1964-12Dec30	LSA Minutes: Debate on continuing TUA; VOW in anti-war & it's feminism
1964-LSO-Montréal	
1964q-05May26	Montreal Minutes: establishing branch in solidarity with LSA & FI; journal & documents
1964q-05May27	Letter to Ross from Dick (F.) sending copies of first branch meeting; imbroglio with FLAP
1964q-06Jun2	Montreal Branch Minutes: Cuba defense work, National organizations report
1964q-06Jun9	Montreal Branch Minutes: La Macaza peace demonstration; La Presse picket support
1964q-06Jun19	Montreal Br. Minutes: Correspondence, Committee reports (Star picket); Stalinist slurs
1964q-06Jun28	Montreal Br. Minutes: la St-Jean demonstration ; evaluation of La Macaza
1964q-06Jun29	(Eng. Ver.) Letter from Robert H. re arrest, selling Young Socialist Forum at a high school
1964q-06Jun99	(undated) letter from Workers Vanguard introducing its Quebec (& Maritimes) coverage

1964q-07July5	Montreal Br. Minutes: National organizations, committees; PSQ members' complaints
1964q-07July12	Montreal Br. Minutes: Cuba defense work (Francophone committee)
1964q-07July25	Letter from Robert H. re expanding civil rights from his case to Francophone organizations
1964q-07ulyl99	(undated) flyer "Star insults intelligence of Canadians" in attack on Cuban Revolution
1964q-09Sept19	Montreal Br. Minutes: National organizations & activities; Cuba pamphlet; adopt name Ligue Socialiste Ouvrière; HQ house upkeep; upcoming public meetings and internal educational
1964q-10Oct1	LSO Minutes: Algeria; orientation & format of journal; planned public meetings (Malcolm X)
1964q-10Oct3	Invitation de la LSO à l'ouverture officielle du local avec une exposition de l'art de l'Algérie
1964q-10Oct18	LSO Minutes: National organizations; orientation to the Chévaliers; campus reports
1964q-11nov16	Lettre de La Lutte Ouvrière: Vous trouverez un exemplaire du premier numéro; abonnez-vous
1964q-11Nov22	LSO Minutes: report on a Chévaliers demonstration (& RIN); the McGill NDP
1964q-11Nov29	LSO Minutes: reports on journal colloquies, McGill, YCL debate on Cuba
1964q-12Dec13	LSO Minutes: Internal educational line-up, coming demonstrations on Vietnam & Congo
1964q-12Dec20	LSO Minutes: report on national organizations; possible witch-hunt in CSN; SNCC at McGill

Minutes of Toronto (L.S.A.) Branch Meeting, January 3, 1964. (B.2)

Chairman: McGuire

Secretary: Martin

Sgt/Arms: Paul

Minutes: M/C that the Minutes for December 30th be adopted as read.

Attendance: Absented with reason-Bannon, Black, Brown, George, Hunter, Jones, Knight, Omatsu, Powell, Smith and White.

Membership & Contacts: Scott reported on A.S. and Kent reported on E.D.

Future Externals: M/C that the external for January 15th be on the book "Labor's Giant Step".

M/C that Edwards be speaker.

M/C that the Chairman be Kent.

M/C that Paul get in touch with trade-union contacts.

M/C that the external for January 22nd be on Britain's present economic position.

M/C that Scott be speaker.

M/C that Paul be Chairman.

Future Internals: M/C that the internal for January 10th be on the "Perspectives of the Anti-War Movements in Canada".

M/C that the speaker be Massen.

Classes French Canada: Scott announced names of specific people assigned to attend these classes.

M/C that all outside persons be cleared through the organizer for attendance, but that Branch youth be excluded from clearance.

Financial Election Report: Cotton presented a final report indicating a successful drive.

M/C that the balance of pledges not yet received be submitted to the treasurer.

M/C that the balance of monies not expended, including pledges outstanding, be turned over to the youth.

M/C that the report be adopted.

Weekly Internal: Mack spoke on the Labor Party.

Drives: Scott reported on the sub-renewal drive.

M/C that the drive be held on Sundays as well as Saturdays.

Social: Report given by McGuire.

M/C that a toboggan party be held on January 16th.

New Business: Scott reported on formation of the Quebec Committee, indicating that planned recruitment would be amongst left-wing elements. Activities of the Committee would be in the area of having speakers, producing translations and publications and conducting demonstration, etc. Sponsorship would be sought amongst Univ. profs and people of that type. It was recommended that Labossiere be Convenor. (FPCC)

M/C that the report be adopted.

Good & Welfare: Scott reported on upcoming Italian Dance, and all NDP and LSA comrades were encouraged to attend.

M/C that the the Chairman at Externals and the Sgt/Arms at Branch meetings be responsible for the clean-up at meetings.

Calendar: Scott read listings for the week.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 10:20 P.M.

CLEANUP- to be done Jan 12 next (after class
comrades Fred, Lyle, Miller, Pryce, Martin, Kandal or Karen
-last time: comrades Anderson, Edwards, Massen, Scott, Morgan, Dunn
and Dierdre

EDUCATIONALS:- External: Jan 10 (DeBerry out) Cndn Farmers-Scott
Jan 17 Anti-Semitism--Cliff (in roundtable)
Jan 24 Psychology-Lois
Jan 31 Prophet Outcast Reviewed Kent

Branch Internal: Jan 19 --Centerism-What it is and how
(leftists)
Bolsheviks Approach Them-Sands
Feb 2 - -State Capitalism-Miller

Section 1:-Jan 14--Terrorism-Martin
Feb 2 --~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~
Yugoslavia -Crandall
Section 2:- Jan 26-Revtn Betrayed-Smith
Feb 9-Student Movement-Pine

Social:-general discussion: consensus success, worth any financial loss
projected as likely by Cotton
-Cotton recommended purchase our own glasses
-problem getting other hall for monthly socials-referred to organizer

Peace Mvt:-recommend that Sec 1 change date of meeting to Jan 14 to enable
comrades to attend TCND
-carried that we carry nomination regardless of what Lee is doing
nomination Frazer
NDP:-recommend Peterson run for exec of his club

Chairman: Cameron Secretary: Morgan- & Bannon Sgt-at-Arms: Paul

M/C to seat comrades P.S. and B.R.

Minutes of previous meeting adopted as read.

No Correspondence.

Membership & Contacts: Paul and Sigman reported on Forum contacts. Cotton reported on CP peripheral contacts.

Educationals: Frazer reported on capital class of Dec. 29. M/C to adopt Exec. Recc. on externals as follows: Jan. 10 Dynamics of World Revolution, Scott speaker, Bannon chairman. Jan. 17 Anti-Semitism, Cotton as moderator for outside speakers. Jan. 24 Psychology, Lois Bedard speaker. Jan 31 review of Prophet Outcast, Kent speaker. Passed for sometime in Feb: Position of Canadian Farmers, Scott speaker.

Internals: Passed for Jan 19 Centrism, Sands speaker. Feb 2 State Capitalism, Miller speaker.

Treasurers Report: None Dues and pledges.

Educational: Marxism and the Idea of God - Labossiere

Drives: none

New Democratic Party: General: Massen reported being invited to a York South meeting on "Confederation and Fr. Canada" Jan. 20. Some discussion of press reports of "negotiations" between NDP right-wingers and figures in Liberal Party. Consensus was that press doing this for their own reasons and that there is really nothing in it.

Clubs: Smith reported on forthcoming elections in Davenport club. Discussion. Massen reported that G.S. has resigned from Yk. South executive.

Youth: Miller reported on local conference of youth.

Press: Some general comments on paper by Leblanc and others.

Anti-War Movement: Miller reported he was unable to contact J.L. re TCND slate. Massen reported that deadline for nominations for TCND executive moved back to Jan. 8. Miller reported exec. recommendation we run Frazer for TCND exec. Recommendation adopted. Section I's next meeting to be moved forward to Jan. 14 to allow maximum attendance at TCND meeting Jan. 15.

Trade Union and PAC: Reports by Pryce and Cameron on election situation in Teamsters 938.

FPCC: Kent reported new pamphlet "Cuba's Road to Peace" now out. Sands reported there will be meeting Jan. 7 re contact drive.

Communist Party: Massen reported future YCL meetings which will be attended by various youth comrades. Kent urged a renewed push of Chinese literature particularly in light of recent statements by Chou En Lai. Cotton urged comrades to report promptly on any projected CP or YCL meetings they learn of.

New Business: Motion that we send a letter of thanks to L.B. for assistance with the program of the New Year's social. Motion by executive that we purchase 200 glasses for future use at socials - carried. Kent commented on contributions by comrades in Forum discussions.

Good and Welfare: Miller reported on the Xmas day social and dinner and commended Cameron and D. for their work on this.

Social: Cotton reported on New Year's Eve social. Additional comments by several comrades.

Calendar.

Literature on Table.

Meeting Adjourned: 10:35 p.m.

Toronto Section 2 Minutes Jan 12, 1964.

Chairman; Bannon, Secretary, Miller, Sgt at Arms, Pryce.

Meeting convened at 7:45 P.M.

M/c that minutes be accepted as information only.

Correspondence: m/c to file letter, read from Mrs. H.

Attendance; 9 present.

M-c to put educational at end of Agenda.

Membership & Contacts: report by Kent on E.M. M/C that a comrade be struck off to see Polish contact from forum. Report and discussion on contact S.R. Kent reported on Greenwood.

Educational: Past report: Report by Cotton on Miller's educational on the Position of Canadian Farmers. It was suggested that a comrade living in a rural area be asked to do research on ~~xxx~~ an program for agriculture.

Future: "The Roots & Perspectives of the Bureaucracy in the Soviet Union". Speaker Smith. M/C to move topic on the Chinese Bureaucracy to Branch.

M/C that educational following that on SU bureaucracy be "The Role of the Student Movement in the Struggle for Socialism". Speaker Pryce.

Trade Union: ~~Teamsters~~ Teamsters: Cameron reported that the International has postponed the vote one week, and that the entire Democratic Action slate was ruled eligible. He also reported that there would be 8 polling places, and that the term of office of the executive had been reduced from 5 to 3 years. These changes were seen as a victory for the D.A. slate. He also reported that leaflets were being received well, and that Jimmy's support was growing. Kent reported on the role Powell was playing in the election, and on the importance of his staying in the local. Discussion followed on Aldred. A report was given on E.M.'s case.

CBRT: Queen City News would be out in a few days.

PAC-PEC: Suggestion that delegates to TDLC should demand that the Council set up a "Forum" to discuss policy & the program of the NDP in view of the discussion opened by Val Scott and the Toronto Star. Bannon reported on his position on the PAC of his local.

Steel: Pryce reported on G.S.W. and on the article the Star carried on the position of workers laid off at this plant.

NDP: Clubs: Smith reported on Davenport. Anderson and Sigmen reported on Spadina. It was suggested that Davenport hold public meeting on "Where is the NDP Going".

Organizers Reports: FPCC: Verne Olson to be back from Cuba tonight. &

CP Discussion on FC.

Youth Report by Miller. Anti-War report on TCND meeting

Social: monthly socials planned for new year.

New Business: M/c that meetings begin at 7:45 sharp.

Good & Welfare: discussion on the discussion at the forum.

M/C to adjourn.

Chairman: Scott Secretary: Morgan Sgt.-at-Arms: Greenwood

Correspondence: Letter of thanks from Powell and wife for Xmas box from League read.

Attendance: M/C Frazer we seat Miller during anti-war discussion.

Membership & Contacts: Cotton reported V.O. to give internal report to Branch Sunday 19th on Cuba. M/C Paul that we push back other slated internals one meeting each.

M/C Bill that Robinson give his educational at this mtg.

Educational: given as moved.

N.D.P.: Omatsu reported St. Pauls riding NDP mtg. Jan. 20th. Van reported possible organization of new York South NDY.

Social: Greenwood reported on house social and thanked White and Leblanc for their hospitality. Social Committee was asked to hold another such party.

Anti-War: Sands reported a VOW meeting Jan. 16. Miller reported on TCND situation and stated that the old executive was not running for re-election and that Lee forces were strong. Miller recommended the two following resolutions: M/C Greenwood that we support a motion to be proposed by J. Lee to table ~~discussion~~ of NATO pending further discussion; M/C Wilfe that we oppose incorporation of the TCND. It was the opinion that these decisions were binding on all League members since no Branch meeting is to be held prior to the Conference. M/C Bill that we propose each candidate for TCND Board of Directors to state their position on military alliances.

Van reported CSND mtg. at which a Hiroshima survivor spoke. He reported also that he is now Asst. Editor of Crane.

FPCC: Scott reported on press conference for Chairman Olson at Hotel Westbury. A public meeting is planned, she reported.

Calendar was read,

Meeting Adjourned at 10:15 PM.

Chairman: Bannon Secretary: Morgan Sgt.-at-Arms: Robinson

Minutes of the previous meeting adopted as read.

(M/C Miller to seat D.G., N.J. and K.S. at the meeting)

(M/C Kent we proceed with regular business until time of educational)

Membership & Contacts:

M/C Kent we accept Blake's transfer of membership from Vancouver.)

Cotton reported Ambrose requested to drop from membership. M/C to accept request. Discussion of this comrade's campus activities.

Educationals: Reports on forums on Dynamics of World Revolution and panel on Anti-Semitism. Kent commented on significance of unionist who participated on this panel.

Exec.Recc/C Miller that Forum topic for Jan 24 be How Much Success for Castroism in Latin America?, speaker Cotton; for Feb. 7, The Feminine Mystique, speaker to be decided at a future date. Also agreed upon:

that L.B.'s educational on Psychology be delayed at the speakers request, that Feb. 21 be the date for The Canadian Farmer. M/C Kent to refer to the youth for consideration having Tom Morgan, one of the Bloomington Defendants, speak to them rather than at the Feb. 7 Forum as proposed.

Internals: Two future scheduled internals moved back. Exec.Recc/C Miller that for March 1 topic be The Political & Economic Privileges of the Chinese Bureaucracy, Jenkins to speak.

Treasurer's Report: Sands reported. M/C to adopt.

Educational: Report on developments in Cuba by V.O.

N.D.P.: Omatsu reported St. Pauls riding meeting tomorrow night Dec.20 and Massen reported York South meeting to discuss French Canada. Miller reported that the Ont. Provincial Council meets Feb. 23rd and that appeals of the expelled will be heard. Sigmen reported on Spadina NDP mtg. White reported NDP leadership refusal to recognize his status as union delegate.

Toronto Youth Local: No report

Press: No Report

Social: No Report.

Anti-War Movement: M/C Discussion on recent TCND meeting be deferred to next mtg. or Section 1. Sands reported on VOW and International Cooperation Year.

TU-PAC: Kent reported that 7 leaflets were distributed during Teamster Local 938 election campaign so far. He reported attacks by McDougall and Dorrity slates, in particular the latter's vicious red-baiting linking the Aldred slate to the Vanguard Bookstore and "apologists for Kennedy assassin Oswald".

FPCC: Scott reported Executive mtg. Dec. 21 at Sands'.

C.P.: It was reported that a leaflet is out advertising Izvestia pamphlet, Massen reported YCND meeting coming up.

Morgan proposed, M/C executive suggest replacement for Social Committee as it is short one person. Kent emphasized security aspect of this meetings educational. Labossiere reported contact L.D. wishing to use LSA hall for production of local play. M/C Kent that we proceed with this project.

Calendar was read,

Meeting Adjourned at 10:30 PM

Toronto Branch Meeting Section 1 Wednesday January 29, 1964

Chair Paul, Secretary Bill, Sgt-at-Arms. Blake.

Meeting Commenced at 8:25 p.m.

Comments were heard on the last two external educationals and the last Internal. N.D.P. Stuart reported on F.S. Frazer reported on a meeting at the U.E.L. Hall. Frazer reported that attendance at St. Paul's was 40-50. Massen reported on Forest Hill. LeBlanc reported on Spadina. ~~XXXX~~ Frazer reported on elections at Davenport.

Toronto Youth Local

Massen reported on the pull out of the Y.C.L. from the Y.C.N.D. and some discussion followed. Frazer reported on the Y.S. Forum. Stuart reported on meetings etc. arranged for T.M.

Social Greenwood reported on arrangements for the forthcoming dance to be held at the Co-op Hall.

Anti-War LeBlanc reported on V.O.W. Day of Study and some discussion followed on the V.O.W.

Miller reported on the TCND. Following discussion M/C That Frazer write letter of protest to ~~the~~ Gentiles and all members of the TCND executive attacking the red baiting, guilt by association and demanding a retraction. M/C that Miller write an article for publication in the TCND Bulletin. M/C that all comrades where possible take out membership in the TCND before the next meeting of the TCND. Frazer reported on the CUCND.

Trade Union. George gave a report on the election in Teamsters 938.

FPCC There is to be a meeting tomorrow night.

Good and Welfare. It was reported that Crandall and N.J. will be married on Saturday and donations were asked for to give a Wedding present.

Leblanc reported that Edwards baby sat for her so she could attend a meeting and single comrades were urged to note this example.

The calendar was read and the meeting adjourned.

Chairman: Miller Secretary: Morgan Sgt.-at-Arms: Pryce

Minutes of previous meeting adopted as read.

(M/C to excuse Bannon from meeting for one hour).

Membership & Contacts:

Kent reported Cotton ill during previous week. Pryce reported on ex-BLP contact who is pro-Cuba. Kent reported on contact A.N. and friend.

Sands asked about status of Reinhart and S.T. The former is on shift work and is unable to attend many meetings. S.T. is a friend of Adam whom we voted to recruit --this will be looked into.

Educationals: Past External: report on Cotton on Latin America critical in regard to division of material between the Chairman and main speaker at meeting. Report also on Kent on Deutscher's third volume on Trotsky. Reports also on internal report on Cuba by V.O. and Dec. 26 Capital class, at which several contacts have been in attendance.

Future External: Miller reported that Tom Morgan, one of the Bloomington Defendants presently on tour, will speak this Friday Feb. 7. Cotton elected chairman.

Blake elected speaker for Feb. 14 topic The Feminine Mystique. Kent elected chairman.

Treasurer's Report: Sands reported that we must raise \$50 immediately to pay old liquor bill. The sum was raised.

Drives: No Report (Educational by Sands on Centrism & the Maoist Tendency heard.)

N.D.P.: Massen reported meeting last Jan 31 with Douglas kicking off Metro Fund

Campaign. Miller reported Davenport constituency resolution calling for expulsion of those who negotiated allegedly with the Liberal party for a merger. M/C Kent that a motion to censure but not to expel the negotiators would be our line in this debate. Frazer reported St. Pauls meeting had passed a motion of censure on the same topic.

Kent raised item in Vanguard calling for left to intervene in this debate and make view of left known. Paul suggested comrades write letters to editor of New Democrat.

Toronto Youth Local:

Miller reported that contact F.S. is to edit a new Metro NDY paper. Next issue of YSF to be delayed until next week.

Miller reported on arrangements made for Tom Morgan to speak at U. of T., York, Waterloo U., luncheon with profs. Morgan to lunch with Dean at York. U. of T. mtg. has sponsorship of Students Administrative Society, Student Christian Movement and CUCND, has got big Varsity article. Kent pointed out significance of this case and support it has got. 2000 leaflets to be distributed, other campuses to be contacted.

Press: No Report.

Social: Pryce and Morgan reported on personnel allocation and arrangements for League social Feb. 8

M/C the League socials be held Feb. 8, March 14, April 11 and May 30.

M/C question of scheduling films be referred to educational committee of Exec.

Anti-War: Frazer reported TCND meeting at which she ran for Board of Directors despite red-baiting. Our comrades were refused memberships before the meeting and not allowed voice or vote.

Recc. Section One/C that Frazer send letter of protest to Ian Gentles, Secretary of CCNE. M/C Kent that an article be written for TCND publication on need for more militant program, and action in building clubs and preparing for Easter demonstration. Kent and Edwards commented on the importance of question of NATO in peace movement now.

Massen reported recent YCND meeting at which YCL membership put forward motion to dissolve organization, which was defeated. Kent noted CP has changed line, dropped anti-NATO, antiUS Imperialism fight in favor of a NATO-Warsaw Pact accord.

TU-PAC: Powell reported results of Teamster Local 938 elections in which he got 347 votes, to Dorrity's 600-odd. MacDougall slate all re-elected. The fact that our candidates had been ruled ineligible had hurt our vote he reported. Kent commented on need for basic, educational work in the local.

FPCC: Scott reported on V.O.'s speech to General Membership mtg. Jan. 30th; 50 attended.

Good & Welfare: Sands took collection for wedding present for Crandall and N.J. who were wedded Feb. 1st.

Calendar was read and meeting Adjourned at 10 PM.

Feb 8, 1964 E.C. Minutes Toronto LSA

meeting started 9:30

present-Cotton, Miller, Pryce, Scott, Edwards, Bannon

EDUCATIONALS

Internal-section 1-Feb 12-Civil Rights, the Marxist Attitude, Scott

-Feb 26-Reform or Revolution-Martin

-section 2-March 8-Marxism or Leninism-Pine

-branch---no additions

External-Feb 21-NATO Today-Paul

Feb 28-History of T.U.s in Canada-~~xxxxxx~~ Kent

~~Rxx~~March 6-Canadian Farm Question-Cotton

Mayday -rec/ that Toronto have a May Day banquet May 2

-decided to look into Lansdowne Hall before any others

-report by Cotton Deberry or Tom K will speak

Finances-rent to be raised by P.C. to \$150.

-report by Cotton that 13 comrades have no pledge, about a third of branch carries burden of finances: will report to next ~~xxxxxxx~~ branch meeting and seek new pledges, raise existing ones where feasible

Expulsions -to be a meeting of organizer, expelled on Feb 9

(NDP)

Section 1 -will report on reasons for development of section and take corrective measures: Organizer will also talk to comrades individually re their work

Membership -Paul to remain in Sec 2 for now, until we know if he has job in union shop or not

-moved we organize meeting, with reports from the Youth Organizer FPCC co-ordinator, and TU co-ordinator, and report to ~~exec~~

TCND- report that re-organizing drive now under way

adjourned 12:10

Section 2 Minutes Feb 9, 1964.

Chairman: Bannoh. Secretary: Miller. Sgt. at arms: Kent

Motion-Carried: The minutes of the previous meeting be adopted as informational only.

Membership & Contacts: Report by Kent on J S. Report by Pryce on NM Report by Sigmen on Forum contacts.

Educationals: Kent reported on Edward's educational on White Collar workers.

M/c to drop future educationals to bottom of agenda.

Dues & Pledges: Report by Kent on the financial position of the store.

M/c that educational be dropped to the bottom of the agenda.

Trade Union:

TDLC. report by Green

Teamsters: report by Cameron on 938 meeting and on Doraty's behavior on floor. Discussion. Feeling that Doraty may be attempting to split some barns from the local.

CBRT: General Union meeting this Wednesday.

Postal Employees: Green reported on elections in his local. He will run for Labor Council delegate and for Dept Rep.

M/c to adopt report.

UAW: Left caucus meeting tonight.

PAC/PEC: Report on discussion in NDP

Teamsters: (continued) Discussion on future character of work in 938. M/c that Cameron organize meeting of Teamster comrades and report to section.

NDP: General--report on expulsions

Clubs: report by Smith and Miller on Davenport and hold up in Carter's membership. Organizer to contact him and ask him to raise the question.

Organizers reports:

CP: report on Bert White meeting to be held Feb 17. Comrades to participate in meeting.

Youth: report on YSF and Cabs success.

Social: discussion on last social.

Paper: it is off the press.

New Business:

Good & Welfare: Kent reported death of George Clarke.

M/c to refer educational back to executive.

M/c to refer "Our position on the role of art in Society" as a forum to the executive.

The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes of Section One, Wednesday, February 12

(Found in 1964)

Chairman Robinson, Secretary Sr. G. Scott-at arts Paul

M/C that previous minutes be adopted

April DA (C) suggested that such a bad attendance should be noted by organizer and worse offenders should be notified. (Six comrades in attendance at eight-thirty)

MEMBERSHIP & CONTACTS Sand reported that Messen had called G.T. about membership and that he had refused, suggested that organizer have further talk with Messen. Cotton reported on Neil from BLP met at forum, who had long talk with Fryce. Scott reported that B.R. & wife have been helping out with ITUC.

EDUCATIONAL past report- no educational at previous meeting because of Gr - andell's inability to appear because of heavy work schedule. Future educational M/C & at we are for tonight- A Marxist attitude towards Civil Rights - speaker - Scott. M/C for Feb. 26 Reform or Revolution - speaker - Martin.

NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY : Beaches meeting tonight. Appeals for expelled Sat. Feb. 22

YOUTH LOCAL: Second issue of YSF has been printed. YSF is starting series of 4 classes tomorrow at Labor Temple. YSF social on Sat. Feb. 22 to launch YSF and raise money for fund drive. CABS raised \$425, 200 people attended meeting at U of T, 140 at York U, 30 at Waterloo. CABS has been formed at U of T with Doug Ward, resident of SAC, will be chairman.

Picket line at American Consulate to protest treatment of Quebec to Guantanamo walkers next Saturday.

ANTI-WAR MOVEMENT: VOW west-end meeting Wed. Feb. 19

TRADE UNION: Teamster caucus will be having a policy meeting to discuss further tactics in the local.

Edwards & Miller attending CBRT meeting. Edwards will try to run for executive.

FPCC: Report by Scott that: Castro's Jan. 2 speech will be printed shortly, also in process of getting film on Cuba from Montreal, that the administration is becoming more efficient & that new elements are working in it now, and that discussion groups around specific issues will be starting soon.

Calendar was read, literature pointed out and meeting adjourned at 9.40

BRANCH MEETING - TORONTO - February 16, 1964.

Chairman: Simon Secretary: Morgan Sgt.-at-Arms: Iryce.

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Minutes: adopted as read.

Correspondence: Kent reported on letter received from Dunn in Mexico; now staying with Silvermans in Cuba.

Attendance: absentees noted, reasons heard.

Memberships & Contacts: Cotton reported on question that Hunter's leave of absence has expired and she was expected to attend meeting. Kent reported on forum contact from Spadina riding. Cotton reported on FICC contacts at our functions.

Educationals: Future External: For Feb. 21: On NATO and Cyprus Bannon speaker, Morgan chairman. Exec. Rec./C Miller for Feb. 28 Problems of Canadian Unionism Kent speaker, and new date for The Canadian Farmer Cotton speaker as March 6. M/C Kent that Executive insert a forum on the expulsions if they so decide in the interim.

Treasurer's Report: Sands gave a financial statement for the month ending January 1964 with a report that the situation was bad, that comrades must pay pledges or make pledges if they have not done so. M/C to adopt.

Drives: Copies of Bandiera Rossa mailed to Italian contacts, one reported ordering more. New Democratic Party: Miller reported that the appeals to the NDP expulsions will

New Democratic Party: Miller reported that the appeals to the NDP expulsions will take place weekend of Feb. 22-23 and that the expelled with present demands 1) for the right to have evidence presented to substantiate the charges against them, 2) for the right to present witnesses or demand witnesses be presented, and have a lawyer and recorders, and 3) for the right to cross-examine any witnesses presented. All but 4 comrades are to appeal; others are protesting by letter the circumstances of the appeal. Edwards, Miller, Brock, Sands, J.G. to appeal. They will also refuse to answer the charges on the grounds that the charges are a witch-hunt and that they are a denial of the right of caucuses to exist.

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On the report that Cousentine is pulling away from the NDP, Kent suggested that Bannon get in touch with him and attempt to influence him. On a question from Blake, it was clarified that J.G., while stating that he is not a member of the so-called YSA, will not suggest the existence of any organization. Kent reported that a YSF social is planned on the night of the expulsions; that 1000 leaflets have been mailed to youth and adult NDP'ers. A meeting of 4 left-wing council delegates has been promoted to discuss what can be done to protest expulsions.

It was reported that an NDP meeting on Cuba will be held at Prov. HQ on the 18th.

Toronto Youth Local: Miller reported that YSF is to launch a fund drive at its social. League comrades will be asked to make donations. Goal is \$600. Knight reported large U. of T., York U. & Waterloo U. meetings for Tom Morgan for Bloomington Defence. \$400 was raised in Toronto, and very prominent professorial and student support obtained for CABS. Kent commented on the political significance of this work involving defence of Trotskyism.

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Press: Vanguard out this week.

Social: Cotton reported loss of \$40 on New Years Social. The feeling was that the loss would not prevent us from planning a bigger similar social next year. M/C that the May Day banquet be held May 2 Saturday. A speaker from S.W.I. was announced.

Anti-far: It was reported that the TCRD plans an Easter March from U. of T. to City Hall 1. Sands reported on West End VOW meeting to be held Wed. 18th.

Trade Union -IAC: Edwards and Miller reported on CBEU Toronto District Council meeting and related developments. Labossiere reported on the Public School teachers protest against scabbing teachers in the Lakefield dispute.

FICC: Scott reported that the Jan. 2nd Speech of Castro is to be printed in next Vanguard and type used for a FICC pamphlet. There is a delay on the translation of the cultural debate pamphlet.

Communist Party: Cotton reported ~~xx~~ that a CP meeting for Tribune writer Bert White will be held Feb. 17. Frazer reported a TCRD-CRND petition for recognition of China by Canada.

New Business: Sands raised Leblan's request for an educational on the VOW on practical work. Kent M/C to refer matter to exec.

Good & Welfare: Done.

Calendar was read and

Meeting Adjourned at 11 PM.

(Educational Heard: Miller on State Capitalism.)

Section 2 Minutes of February 23, 1964.

Chairman: Bannon; Secretary: Kendall. Sgt. at Arms: Kent

Motion Carried: The minutes of last meeting were adopted as information only.

Membership and Contacts: Report on Aldrich by Powell that he should be brought around.

Educational: No report on past educational
M/c on acceptance of the topic "America Road to Socialism"
M/c for Pine to be the speaker
Suggestion by Cotton to have an educational on "Roots of Bureaucracy."

Trade Unions:

General Operating Engineers had a meeting of 900 in attendance all contributions were from the platform and in general were conservative. However attendance shows possibilities of union members being prepared to act. Discussion.

TLDC: report by White and Green - Local 43 will be expelled from CLC jurisdiction.

CBRT - Miller reported: tried to get a meeting with Donahue and Jim D on Wednesday about local

Postal Emp: Green reported on progress as Dept. rep. Was nominated and voted in to go to CLC convention as a rep. of Postal Employees.

UAW: - report by White.

PAC, PEC - planning to hold a series of meetings with questions and discussion where S. Lewis scheduled to speak.
Recommended: by Kent to show and raise protest on matter of biculturalism by the NDP.

Publications: CBRT has a national publication in Canada reported by Miller. Discussion. Letters to the editors should be utilized.

NDP - General - Report on trial - by Miller - 5 appealed out of 11.
Kent proposed a ~~free~~ forum very soon on the trials at LSA hall.

Clubs: - Report by Sigmen on Spadina
- Report by Smith on Davenport

Organization Reports: Report on future Vanguard drive \$4,000 being the goal

CP: Report on CP meeting by Cotton - response was dead at the meeting
Youth: report by Kent on a fine job done in Waterloo by Brown

Paper - off the press and will be mailed tomorrow

New Business: Bannon reported on YSF social on Saturday, Feb. 22
purpose of social to build response towards YSF fund drive
National goal of \$600.00

M/c by Kent to make pledges to YSF at this meeting

TLDC - White reported a meeting to be held Thursday March 4/64.
Calendar was read by Cotton.

The meeting adjourned 10:25pm

Chairman: Tomi Secretary: Morgan Sec.-at-Large: Paul

Minutes: of previous meeting Feb. 12 adopted as read.

Correspondence: None

Attendance: Absentees noted. Cotton reported on reasons why comrades Sect. 1 were absent last meeting.

Membership & Contacts: Cotton remarked on the necessity to bring all our contacts to forums. Paul and Cotton reported on contact. J.S. Bill reported on P.C.

Educational:

Future External: Exec. Rep. C Cotton to be On Anti-War Movement adopted as amended by Sands to concentrate around VOW work. Leblanc elected speaker.

Future External: Cotton reported changes in forum schedule as follows: for Feb. 28 two expelled comrades on the Expulsions in the NDP, speakers to be advertised as invited by the League. Kent on Canadian Trade Union Problems March 6, and a V.S., Y.S.A. speaker on March 13, the Farm Question on March 20.

New Democratic Party:

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New Democratic Party

Sands reported on the Provincial Council meeting at which the appeals of the expelled were heard and upheld. The expelled were able to make an impact on the council; in the case of J.G. the council was upheld only by 29 to 20. On other votes delegates abstained or voted for expulsion on grounds that the Executive had made the issue a vote of confidence in itself. Brock was present and presented his Quebec NDY membership. Support for expelled came from council delegates Schlink, Hatfield and Middleton.

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Morgan reported that Sigman attended a Spadina NDP meeting at which question of participating in civil elections was to be debated.

Toronto Youth Local:

There was a discussion on the low attendance at the YSF social Feb. 22. It is reported that Kent spoke to a Socialist Club meeting on U. of T. to 16. Morgan raised the matter of open criticism of YSF speaker at YSF educational. The next YSF educational is to take place at the Labor Temple next Sunday March 1

Anti-War:

Frazer reported on TCND work; that its executive is to discuss her letter of protest regarding red-baiting by Ian Gentles. It was reported that the TCND is planning a petition calling for admission of China into the UN and a discussion followed on whether to support it or not. Frazer also reported that the Easter March planned will go from U. of T to City Hall the YCND has been invited to participate. A YCND Membership meeting has been set for March 15. It was reported that H.K. was elected Educational Director of CUCND.

Sands reported that she has been elected Program Convenor for the West End VOW. (Voice of Women -ed)

Trade Union-PAC: No report.

FPCC: Scott reported that the New Yorker Theater had been booked for a Sunday March. 22 showing of the "Cuba Si" film in French. A discussion group for close FI contacts is also planned with V.O. (Vern Olson) giving a talk on his trip to Cuba.

Algeria: M-C that this item be included in the agenda. M-C Scott that executive discuss need for special reports under this item on a question from Sands. Martin reported on the Quebec Algeria Aid Committee and publications available and a Waterloo press report on Brown's upcoming trip to Algeria under the auspices of the World Universities Service.

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Communist Party:

Cotton reported on meeting for Pacific Tribune writer Bert White who gave a 45-minute speech on his 3 years' stay in China. So heard him defend Khrushchev line. Cotton and Morgan raised questions of technical and economic aid being cut off by Moscow and supply by Moscow of arms to India. Leaflets were distributed.

Frazer reported that B.R. is making headway with CP contacts in Regina.

Rev. business: Morgan reported upcoming league social on March 14.

Calendar was read and meeting

Adjourned at 10:30.

Chairman: Smith Secretary: Morgan Sgt.-at-Arms: Paul

Minutes of previous meeting February 16 adopted as corrected.

At this point special M/C Kent F.E. and wife be seated.

Correspondence: Kent read a draft of announcement of launching of 1964 Vanguard Fund Drive. National objective is \$4,000, Toronto objective \$2,500. M/C to accept letter. M/C to approve Toronto objective. Exec.Rec./C that Cotton be made campaign director. Comrade Green expressed view drive should start next Sunday.

Membership & Contacts: M/C Miller that contact F.S. be considered a youth contact. It was reported that Miller is to see him in the near future in regard to recruiting to Toronto Youth Local.

Kent reported on D.M. who has been a close contact for some time. It was reported that he had raised the matter of joining the Branch to Scott and referred to remain as a contact and sympathizer. It was reported that he may be going to Cuba soon with IFCC student tour. On a question from Morgan, it was reported that youth member J.G. has not time to join the League.

Educationals: Future External: Exec.Rec./C Miller new date for Kent on Trade Union Problems be March 6, that U.S.-YSA Chairman Barry Sheppard speak on Youth's Stake In The Fight For Freedom on March 13; that Cotton on The Farm Question be scheduled for March 20 tentatively due to the possibility of Chartrand speaking in Toronto on that date, that on March 27 Al Lurdy read poetry. On a question from Sands regarding use of expelled members as speakers at the forum, the Executive reported decision to leave matter to Youth Local in view of need for public speakers for YSF functions.

Future Internals: Exec.Rec./C Miller March 15 The Significance of Castro's 5th Anniversary Speech, Mack speaker, for March 29 Revolutionary intellectuals and workers, and who is going to lead the struggle for socialism, Frazer speaker.

Drives: Cotton reported on Financial Drive preparations. Miller reported YSF Financial Drive. M/C that this item be placed on agenda at this point. Massen and Bannon spoke on necessity for comrades to contribute minimum of \$10 to tide YSF over to Fall drive.

New Democratic Party: Miller reported on appeal of expelled at Feb. 22 Provincial Council meeting. 5 of the 10 (J.G., Miller, Sands, Brock and Edwards) appeared at the meeting, the others protesting the entire procedure by letters. All were allowed to make statements except Miller. A number of delegates abstained or voted for expulsion under protest that the Prov. Executive had made the issue a vote of confidence in itself. J.G.'s expulsion upheld by only 29-20. Brock made visible impression by presenting his Quebec NDP membership. It was reported that left-wing delegates D.M. and F.S. were vocal in protesting the expulsions.

Massen reported on Broadview Club protest. Kent reported that J.G. had attended a Broadview meeting and is to speak at its next meeting, also that Sands has been invited to speak to a group in Oshawa. Bill reported that the expulsions are to be brought up at the next Beaches meeting.

Miller reported that Michel Chartrand will be in Toronto from March 17 to 20th, and that a Metro NDY meeting is being arranged, with possible campus and Labor Council meetings and radio-TV publicity for the P.C.C.

Smith, Cotton and Sigmen reported on resolutions passed in Davenport and Spadina ridings respectively supporting NDP participation in civic elections on the party label. Sigmen also reported he was elected one of three delegates from Spadina to upcoming Metro convention.

Knight reported that Kent spoke to a small but serious meeting of the Socialist Club on U. of T. On Feb. 26 on "When Canada Goes Socialist".

Press & Social: No Reports.

Anti-War: Frazer reported that her letter of protest to TCND executive had been considered. This was regarding red-baiting reference during elections to TCND. Cotton reported Section One and Executive positions on TCND petition campaign for recognition of China by Canada. Executive Recommendation defeated; decided to participate with critical support.

Trade Union -IAC: Edwards reported on CBMTGW activity.

IFCC: Scott reported that Cuba Si booked for Toronto theatre; on holding of discussion groups for close IFCC contacts; and that Cuban Gov't had agreed to student's group going to Cuba.

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Communist Party: Cotton reported on CP meeting for Tribune correspondence Bert White who spoke 45 minutes on his 3 years in China. Chinese pamphlets were distributed. Presenting straight Khrushchevist line, Cotton and Morgan fired questions at him regarding withdrawal of Soviet aid to China and supply of arms to India by Moscow.

New Business: It was reported that Frazer is the YCND delegate to ~~at~~ a YCND meeting Tuesday March 3.

Calendar was read

Meeting Adjourned: 10:45

(Educational heard: Jenkins on the Economic and Social Privileges of the Chinese Bureaucracy.)

Section 2 Minutes of ~~February~~ March 4, 1964

Chairman: Bannon; Secretary: Kendall, Sgt. at Arms: Pryce

Motion Carried: The minutes of previous meeting were adopted as information only.

Membership and Contacts: Report by White. Kent reported on Al. Stevens
Miller reported on Ian Angus, and Garry Porter of
Ottawa.

Educational: Cotton reported on last educational by Pryce on Students.
M/c to have today's education on "Assessment".
M/c to have Pyne's educational in two weeks.

Dues and Pledges:

M/c on Procedure to take a vote on:

1. in favour on continuation of Branch 2
2. Motion carried of fusion of Branch 2 and 1

Vote for continuation of Branch two were none.

Vote for fusion of Branch 2 and 1 were as follows: Kent, Pryce, Miller,
Cotton, Green, Edwards, Bannon and Kendall.
Abstention is Anderson.

Motion carried to put drives after educational.

Drives: Financial Drive - report by Cotton
report by Pryce and report by Green.

Trade Union: General-

Cotton distributed the paper at Labour Council.

Edwards reported on CBRT union.

M/c to put forward resolutions to be presented at a National Convention
as alternative resolution.

M/c to adopt Edwards report

Report given by Miller

TDLC: report given by White

Postal Emp: Green is running for steward in Postal Employees union.

UAW: Report on PAC meeting by White. Discussion.

M/C Rather than continual policy of the local to brake UAW from
Metro we carry this to the rank and file.

- White reported the meeting of UAW of March 3.

NDP - General - Chartrand to be on 19 of March to speak for FPCC
and to speak on the 20 Of March NDY speaking on Canada

Organizers Report - Cotton reported on FPCC "Student tour"
Film will be shown on March 23/64 on Cuba called
"Cuba Si" : Cotton asked to contact Scott re "Student
Tour".

Youth Report: Bannon reported that next issue of the paper be off this
coming week.

Social: Reported by Kent.

New Business: Cotton reported on York Campus: Kent reported of New Pamphlet
by FPCC

Calendar was read by Cotton.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15pm.

MINUTES OF SECTION 1 MEETING OF MARCH 11, 1964

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CHAIRMAN: Robinson SECRETARY: Morgan SGT-AT-ARMS: Paul

MINUTES of previous meeting adopted as corrected.

ATTENDANCE: It was reported that Hunter would be attending the meeting late, on a question regarding her status in the League.

MEMBERSHIP & CONTACTS: Cotton reported on contacts seen during the financial drive.

EDUCATIONALS: There was a report on Martin's educational on Reform or Revolution. It was reported that Barry Sheppard, Nat. Chairman of the U.S. YSA will be speaking at the Forum the following Friday. M/C Cotton that: An assessment of the division of the Branch into two sections be discussed under New Business.

FINANCIAL DRIVE: Cotton reported that a letter is going out to contacts regarding the Vanguard Financial Drive and that this will be followed up with phoning and visiting. It was reported that good results were obtained on the drive last weekend. Comrades were then called upon to make pledges for the drive.

NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY: Frazer reported that the Metro NDY Council had agreed to sponsor a meeting for Michele Chartrand March 20th at Carpenters Hall on our initiative. Topic to be Which Way for Quebec and Confederation? Sands reported receiving a letter from NDP Ontario Headquarters "regretting" that her expulsion had been upheld.

TORONTO YOUTH LOCAL: It was reported that the YSF will be out this week.

SOCIAL: Morgan reported on arrangements for March 14 social at Co-Op Hall. Cotton reported re allocation of duties at this social.

ANTI-WAR: Frazer reported that a YCND meeting will be held the coming Sunday at the Central YMCA at which Executive elections will be held and John Pocock from the TCND will speak. The YCL have pulled out, and attempts are being made to attract

interested persons in the pacifist and religious youth organizations. It was also reported that a sign-painting bee will be held to paint signs for the Easter March. Frazer also reported an answer to her letter to the TCND demanding a retraction from Ian Gentles which upheld Gentles' action was received, however it was agreed to drop the matter.

It was reported that the TCND is holding a membership meeting April 2 to discuss and adopt its constitution. Frazer reported as well that the TCND had been invited to participate in the Easter March.. Proposals to publicize Union ~~positions~~ ^{positions} against ~~war~~ ^{nuclear arms} were narrowly defeated. M/C to defer discussion ~~of TCND constitution~~ ^{until} comrades concerned have considered it more fully.

TRADE UNION-PAC: Nil.

F.P.C.C.: Sands reported the last FPCC Executive meeting discussion of 1) Cuba 51 film, the showing of which is undecided due to the distributor's raised price for it, 2) discussion groups, which have been postponed until the summer because of pressure of other activity, 3) publication of latest pamphlet, Cuba Confronts The Future, (Castro's 5th Anniversary speech, Jan. 1, 1964) and 4) the university student working tour of Cuba, which is going ahead with Cuban gov't support. Selection committee to be set up on as broad a basis as possible. A Press release has gone out. It was also reported that Chartrand will speak at a FPCC meeting Thursday 19th.

ALGERIA: Sands reported that she is contacting publishers regarding sending of textbooks, etc. to Algerian libraries.

COMMUNIST PARTY: Cotton reported lengthy Tribune article quoting Lenin on Trotsky's splitting tactics in attempting to link Maoism with Trotskyism.

Minutes of Section 1 Meeting of March 11, 1964 (continued)

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NEW BUSINESS: M/C that we have educational at this point. Leblanc spoke on Our Attitude Toward the Anti-War Movement and the VOW in Particular. Cotton gave a report on a discussion in section 2 and his own views on the Division of the Branch and the performance of the sections since then. M/C cotton that we carry this discussion on at the next Section meeting. M/C that next Internal Educational in section 1 be a review of the activity of Section 1. Cotton elected speaker. Sands reported that she will be speaking at the Unitarian Fellowship in Oshawa on an invitation from the NDP. Topic to be Christian Ethics and Political Principles.

CALENDAR was read

MEETING ADJOURNED: at 10:55 PM.

CHAIRMAN: Cameron Secretary: Morgan Sgt.-at-Arms: Fryce

MINUTES of previous meeting adopted as read.

MEMBERSHIP & CONTACTS: M/C Metter of Greenwood's attendance be referred to Executive.

M/C Branch agree to transfer of Miller & Frazer to Vancouver.

M/C to adopt report by Cotton that F.S. is to be recruited to Y.S.

EDUCATIONALS: Lateness of Robinson at Capital classes noted.

It was reported that there would be no Vanguard Forum Friday 20th due to NDY meeting for Michel Chartrand. For March 27, Al Purdy Readings and Commentary on Verse Technique. For April 3: The Crisis on Canada's Farms, as approved.

Internals: Exec.Rec./C as amended for April 17 Why does the SWP Support the Black Muslims? Cameron elected speaker. M/C Kent that we have a further educational on the Nature of the Chinese Bureaucracy. Blake elected speaker.

M/C Bill that we refer to the Executive the topic The Crisis within NATO, and the effect of DeGaulle's policies, as a possible External.

Kent suggested Executive see Jenkins re views on topic of educational he gave at last Branch meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT: M/C to adopt report by Kent in Sands' absence.

DRIVES: Cotton reported on Financial Drive. 15 of 40 comrades have pledged about \$800, 10 contacts have pledged around \$320. Letter have gone out.

NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY: Bill reported he would bring up matter of expulsions at next Beaches meeting tomorrow. Leblanc reported Weekend NDP Metro convention at which issue of running under party label in civic elections was defeated. Miller reported Metro Council of NDY sponsoring Chartrand meeting. He is also speaking at NDP club at U. of T. and Political Science Assoc. at York U. 100 leaflets have been given by comrades to constituency secretaries.

TORONTO YOUTH LOCAL: Miller reported discussions with B. Sheppard re setup of national organization. It was reported that the March YSF was off last Friday.

PRESS: Cotton reported 200 expired subs in Toronto need renewing, and drive would include sales of Banquet tickets. M/C to adopt report.

SOCIAL: Bill reported bad attendance at March 14 social. Cotton reported May Day Banquet preparations. M/V to adopt report.

ANTI-WAR: Frazer reported YCND meeting this evening resulted in poor attendance, elections postponed. Miller reported a TCND social next Saturday night. Miller reported his public debate with Art Fape of TCND on Non-Violence as a Tactic or A Way of Life?

TRADE UNION - IAC: Kent reported on new developments in Maritime Trusteeship issue. Cameron reported on reaction in Teamster's Union on conviction of Hoffa on "jury-tampering" count. M/C Kent that teamster caucus consider resolution in support of movement for 4-hour general strike in U.S. against court decision.

FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE: Scott reported on Students Tour to Cuba, which will be a working tour of 24 university students. A broad Selection Committee is being set up. Line that tour is looking for hard workers, students with connections on the campus, particularly with the NDP, but not radicals, with the exception of comrade Knight, adopted. Publicity regarding tour already going out across the country.

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MINUTES TORONTO BRANCH MEETING - 15 MARCH, 1964 (continued)

FPCC (continued)

It was reported that PSQ Leader Chartrand will speak to a FPCC meeting at the King Edward Hotel On Thursday March 19.

It was reported that the film, Cuba Si, will be postponed 2 weeks. The French Club showing at the New Yorker is being distributed.

COMMUNIST PARTY: Kent reported Soviet film on the Soviet astronauts at the Casino was distributed with Chinese literature.

NEW BUSINESS: Cotton reported on discussion on Sections on evaluation of their performance since Toronto Branch was divided. Section 1 postponed decision until its next meeting. M/C Kent to accept recommendation that the Branch discuss this subject at the next meeting.

M/C Cotton that the next Branch meeting be on the following Tuesday due to the Easter weekend holiday.

CALENDAR read,

MEETING ADJOURNED at 10:35 P.M.

Chairman: Frazer Secretary: Morgan Sgt.-At-Arms: Paul

MINUTES of previous meeting adopted as read.

MEMBERSHIP & CONTACTS: Cotton reported on Vanguard Fund Drive contacts. Sands reported on a contact at work.

EDUCATIONALS: Internal: for April 8: Marxism in the U.S. with ~~M~~ Paul speaker. Next Forum to be Al Purdy reading poetry. Wide mailing done to publicize this event.

EDUCATIONA:L: Cotton on a Review of Performance of Section One. M/C to fuse sections into Branch as before.

DRIVES: Cotton on Vanguard Fund Drive: Vancouver has accepted a \$1,000 objective. Renewal drive and sales of Banquet tickets are to be launched.

NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY: Club Reports: Mack reported High Park meeting, at which she spoke on Britain. Cotton reported that White was seated at the NDP Metro convention. His candidature as delegate has been rejected on previous occasions when submitted by the ~~NYXXAX~~ U.A.W.

Toronto Youth Local: Fraser reported on the Chartrand meeting at Carpenters Hall. M/C to refer to executive matter of publishing pamphlet on subject of French Nation and the development of the P.S.Q.

M/C to grant Van an excuse from attending meeting.

On question from Wilfe Sands reported FPCC not yet paid expenses by NDP for bringing in Chartrand.

ANTI-WAR: Frazer reported developments in planning East Walk, which is to go from Convocation Hall on U. of T. to City Hall. No discussion yet on constitution. Frazer also reported that Miller debated with Pape at a CSND meeting on Pacifism. Tomorrow night there is to be a meeting at Peace House on the anti-Cadet issue.

TRADE UNION-P.A.C.: ~~MYXX~~ It was reported that Green has been elected Shop Steward of the Postal Employees.

FPCC: It was reported that applications are coming in for the Cuba Student Work Tour. U. of T. and York professors have agreed to stand on Selection Committee. It was reported that 80 attended the Chartrand meeting at the Prince Edward Sheraton Hotel.

ALGERIA: Sands and Martin reported on Book project.

NEW BUSINESS: Sands reported speaking at Oshawa Unitarian Fellowship meeting at which NDP candidate Eileen Hall chaired.

Frazer reported acquittal of Bloomington defendants.

CALENDAR read

MEETING ADJOURNED at 9:45 PM.

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April 4

Minutes of E.C. Meeting 4th April

BRANCH 16.11.

COTTON reported that J.R. wished to terminate his membership of the party. It was felt that he should retain his membership & that Cotton should have a further discussion with him regarding this. It was also decided that Cotton should see J.L. & J.P. in relation to their membership. Also O.M.

PERSONNEL

- (1) It was agreed that Tim be T.V. co-ordinators
- (2) The job of Educational Director taken over by Pat B.
- (3) The question of whether Toni's group of work should be H.P.C.C. or the anti-war movement was discussed. A motion that Toni continue in H.P.C.C. was carried. It was agreed that P.H. should be involved in the field.

ADDITIONS TO E.C.

It was felt that because of the loss of R.E. from the E.C. & the fact that P.M. would be absent for a period of three months, it would be valuable to have the gap filled. R.Y. & R.T. E.C. proposals.

MALCOLM X

COTTON reported that Malcolm X had made it known that he was available to speak. After a lengthy discussion the E.C. accepted the motion that we write & ask him to come in September or October.

This closed the business of the meeting at 11.45.

TORONTO

BRANCH MEETING - MINUTES - APRIL 12, 1964

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Chairman: Paul Secretary: Morgan Sgt.-At-Arms: Pryce

Minutes: of previous meeting adopted as read.

Membership & Contacts: Sands reported on a contact from the Oshawa meeting of the NDP she addressed. Edwards reported on youth contact J.R.

Educationals: It was reported that educationals are lined up. M/C to change order of the next two internal to prevent Blake's talks coming together. Pryce reported Executive decision regarding the proposal to have Malcolm X. speak in Toronto was to delay asking him until the fall. He then reported his own view that the speaker should be asked now. M/C by Green that we invite Malcolm X. to speak here at his earliest convenience. Future External lined up.

Treasurer's Report: Sands reported. M/C to adopt. M/C Kent that financial situation be referred to the Executive. Green pointed out that some comrades are behind on dues.

Drives: Cotton reported on the Sub Renewal Drive, which continues next Sunday.

Cotton reported on the Vanguard Fund Drive and read a letter from N.S. in Vancouver.

New Democratic Party: Sigmen reported on Spadina NDP meeting at which Cuban Ambassador Cruz and Leslie Dewart spoke. Scott ~~reported~~ raised possibility of an FPCC literature display or sales of pamphlets outside.

It was reported that a "debate" will take place between Fred Young and Sparham on "The Future of the Democratic Left" in North York NDP constituency next Tuesday. It was decided we should ~~also~~ distribute.

Social: Cotton reported re Banquet committee & allocation of work. Mack is to coordinate the kitchen work. Scott is to give the fund-raising speech, Kent to introduce the guest speaker. The matter of a new chairman was referred to the Exec. ~~M/C to adopt report.~~

Anti-War: Fraser reported on a TCND-CUCND Benefit Dinner to raise funds. A CORE speaker will speak on Will There Be A Negro Revolution in the U.S.? Later a Seminar is to be held on How Does the Peace Movement Get Its Point Across? On May 20th Dr. Speck is slated to speak at Massey Hall. In June a conference will be held on Grindstone Island. Bill reported on the importance of this conference, and also on a meeting he and Fraser attended on the adoption of a constitution for the CCND. Labossiere asked about the possibility of getting the Hiroshima bomb survivors to speak here. Fraser then reported on the CSND anti-Cadet campaign in the High Schools, and that school officials had stated that the Cadets were not compulsory, and denounced the leaders of the campaign. Leaflets were distributed and radio & press coverage obtained. Lastly, the YCND has been invited to a Seminar on Hate Literature April 19th.

Trade Union - P.A. C.: White reported on U.A.W. resolution calling for NDP slate not on NDP label. He reported that he has been elected delegate to Metro NDP Convention.

FPCC: Scott reported 200 at the Cuba 51 showing April 5th. and possibility of getting further films on Algeria. Student Work Tour to Cuba has got a lot of enquiries but few actual applications, it was reported. FPCC will try to hold a fund-raising night at a Coffee House soon.

Communist Party: It was reported that the Toronto Peace Congress had held a meeting on the past week-end, but the Vanguard was not distributed since the meeting was not known about.

New Business: With comrade Miller leaving for Vancouver, the Executive announced that Edwards is now Trade Union Director and Pryce Educational Director. M/C to open ~~vacancy left by Miller for nominations.~~ nominations: Brown and Blake. Sands, Labossiere, Irons also nominated.

Cotton elected chairman for this Friday's Forum. Cotton gave a report on Banquet Ticket sales. M/C Kent to strike off ticket sales campaign manager. Morgan elected.

Calendar was read and meeting Adjourned at 10:35 PM

CHAIRMAN: Scott SECRETARY: Morgan SGT.-AT-ARMS: Pryce

M/C granting Sands & Bannon leave from attending meeting, and granting Hunter leave from the meeting for 1 hour. Massen requested that he, Edwards and Fraser be granted leave from the meeting later to attend YCND function.

M/C Kent that Blake's educational on The Chinese Bureaucracy be heard at this point to enable comrades to be excused to hear it.

EDUCATIONAL: Blake on The Nature of the Chinese Bureaucracy

MINUTES: Minutes of previous meeting adopted as corrected.

CORRESPONDENCE: A letter from the Director of the Vanguard Fund Drive was read. M/C to file after objection to reference that Toronto would not make its objective noted.

MEMBERSHIP & CONTACTS: M/C Kent that the question of dropping Greenwood from the membership rolls be brought up at the next meeting, Greenwood to be notified. Cotton reported Exec.recc.re membership of O.Mc., that he be dropped from rolls for non-attendance. M/C that this be done without prejudice. Motion defeated that he be notified of action by the Branch.

EDUCATIONALS: M/C Kent that Spanish anarchist be invited to speak at a forum on the question of The Spanish Civil War. Cotton reported for the Exec. that next Friday topic is Morals, Ethics & Socialism with Blake as speaker, as approved, and the following Friday there will be no forum due to the May Day banquet the following night, as approved. M/C Bill that the topic on Spain be held May 8, and if this speaker cannot be arranged, that the topic on events in Brazil as proposed by Cotton, be held. Paul raised the question of a topic on the results of the Sask. Election, which could be dealt with in the May 8th Forum if necessary, with a special Forum. Morgan elected chairman for next Friday's forum.

Internals: Cotton reported next internal is Pryce on Why We Support The Black Muslims as approved. M/C Pryce that the following internal be on the French-Canadian National Question. Martin elected to speak.

TREASURER'S REPORT: No report. Scott reported Exec. discussion on financial situation. Comrades were urged to pay dues regularly, and it was proposed that comrades 3 months in arrears in payment of dues would have their vote suspended in the League. It was reported that \$5 a week for working comrades and \$10 a month for unemployed comrades was the suggested pledge.

DRIVES: Cotton reported results of Vanguard Fund Drive: Toronto total is now \$1500. Cotton stressed necessity to make payment by May 1.

NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY: Mack reported a Spadina NDP meeting addressed by Cuban Ambassador Cruz and Leslie Dewart at which 80-100 attended. Kent asked for clarification on statement by Cruz on the need for revolution in Canada, and stated that Cruz's statement should be protested by the League or Fair Play. Cotton reported on York Centre NDP meeting distribution. The event was a "debate" between Sparham & Young on "The Future of the Democratic Left" in Canada". Criticism was expressed that our comrades did not participate in the meeting.

TORONTO YOUTH LOCAL: Nil PRESS: Nil

SOCIAL: Cotton reported personnel allocation for the May Day Banquet. It was suggested that known representatives of the League serve at the door. Morgan reported on ticket sales.

TRADE UNION:PAC: Cotton reported Green attending CLC convention as a delegate.

FPCC: Scott reported that 30 applications for Student work Tour to Cuba of generally high quality have been received and that Selection Committee is operating successfully. A Coffee-House meeting to raise funds will be held May 21 at the Bohemian Embassy. Kent reported May Day visitors to Cuba from Canada will be Chas. Biesick, Dorothy Steeves, Al Purdy and Mrs. Guild. Scott further reported a drive to collect materials for retarded children in Cuba.

Kent reported reports of incident involving detention of B. Silverman in Cuba and his non-receipt of a large shipment of Trotskyist and Marxist literature. He is now released. Press reports from Cuba of a recent trial of an old Stalinist, and a series of articles from Hoy attacking Trotskyism have been forwarded to New York and Paris.

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NEW BUSINESS: It was referred to the Exec. by Kent that the relationship of D.G. and Mrs.G. to the League be discussed.

Regarding nominations to the vacancy on the Toronto Executive, Cotton reported that Brown can not stand. Irons elected to Exec. vacancy.

Kendall reported VOW meeting. VOW comrades to meet to discuss presentation of resolutions at forthcoming local convention.

M/C Kendall to thank Robinson for donation of books to the library

CALENDAR: was read

MEETING ADJOURNED: at 10:50 P.M.

TORONTO

BRANCH MEETING - MINUTES - MAY 3rd 1964

Chairman: Smith Secretary Mack Sgt.-At-Arms: Kent

In the absence of the secretary it was agreed that the reading of the minutes be postponed till his arrival.

Membership & Contacts: A motion to seat I.A. from Ottawa and B.S. was passed.

Educationals - Past Report Several comrades commented on the excellence of Pryce's educational on the Black Muslims.

Educationals Future: May 8th "Spain"
May 15th "Socialism, Morals & Ethics Speaker Blake"
May 22nd "Algeria speaker Kent Ch. Scott
May 29th "Black Muslims " Pryce " Bannon

~~Next~~

No future internals were proposed. Green proposed that we investigate the possibilities of holding meetings in Allan Gardens - this was referred to the Executive.

Educational Due to the lateness of the speaker a motion was carried to move the educational to the end of the Agenda.

Financial Drive: Kent reported on the financial drive. Vancouver was experiencing difficulties but expected to meet their target. Toronto was still short \$150 but it is expected that the branch will meet this.

NDP White reported briefly on the T.N.D. Some inroads have been made in the E.C. - four leftists elected. White affiliate member for the year. It was reported that a discussion on the Saskatchewan elections is to be held in York South May 21st. Comrades should attempt to open discussion on the election in their clubs, and to distribute this issue of the Vanguard which deals with the election.

N.D.Y ~~Fraser~~ Fraser reported on developments regarding expelled youth in B.C.. In the discussion, the possibilities of re-opening the campaign against the expulsions resulted in a motion to refer the matter to the Youth.

Social Cttee: - Banquet: The general opinion of the branch was that the banquet was a success. The negative features were that the attendance wasn't as large as we had hoped. Some criticism of the speaker was expressed. Kent proposed that the next Banquet Committee should consider using our own forces for our banquet, in the future.

Trade Union PAC . Discussion on the Petters strike initiated by Green. White reported on the position in the TLC. Green moved that the anti-war groups approach Labour Day Cttee for permission to have a float. White reported he is now chairman of Election Cttee in his plant.

C.P. Massen reported on his discussion with R.S.

Anti War. It was reported that a leaflet on the situation in Viet Nam would be distributed by the TCND and the CUCND on Friday 8th. Discussion on the contents of the leaflet followed. A motion was carried that the E.C. whether or not it was necessary to draw up a leaflet stating our position. Blake reported on Dr Speck's leaflet on peace - Fraser suggested that we participate in his meeting on the 20th May.

TORONTO MINUTES MAY 3rd CONT'D

ANTI-WAR CONT'D HC reported that he and four others were elected to the E.C. of CSND and the H is permanent editor of their periodical.

VOW Sand reported on the VOW conference to be held 6th May & the resolutions we were putting forward.

New Business : New internal bulletins out dealing with the expulsions in the S.W.P.

Educational given by Martin.

Meeting adjourned 10.35.

CHAIRMAN: Massen SECRETARY: Morgan SGT.-AT-ARMS: Pryce

MINUTES: Minutes of previous meeting of May 3 adopted as corrected.

MEMBERSHIP & CONTACTS: Kent reported on Greenwood

EDUCATIONALS: Pryce reported Externals are lined up. M/C Pryce that topic for internal be Lenin On The National Question. Sthart elected speaker. Labossiere proposed getting a French-Canadian speaker or speakers in to participate on a Forum panel. This was referred to the Executive.

No Financial Report No Educational; Sigmen not prepared. Financial Drive report delayed.

NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY: Bill reported on Beaches meeting at which pre-Apartheid statement by George Weston was discussed. Frazer reported Youth Local decision on action around issue of expulsions on west coast delayed. M/C Kent that Branch secretary write to Left Caucus in BC for supplies of literature for distribution. Sigmen reported on attempts to form Spadina Youth group.

No Toronto Youth Local Report

PRESS: Comments were heard on April issue. Discussion on mailing promotional material for Militant and I.S.R. with Vanguard.

SOCIAL: It was reported next League social to be held on May 30th.

ANTI-WAR: Sands reported on VOW convention which saw little discussion on resolutions. Appeal for books for Algeria published in VOW newsletter. Resolution on South Viet Nam and NATO tabled or ruled out of order. Leblanc, Scott reported on other aspects of VOW activity.

A general discussion took place on our role in VOW. Kent proposed comrades active in this field accept leadership posts, and introduce better elements in VOW to Fair Play and other allied organizations if possible. M/C Labossiere that VOW comrades meet after Branch meeting to discuss regular work in the future, on a caucus basis. Frazer reported on a weekend seminar on "How The Peace Movement Can Get Its Point Across" which featured low level of discussion and adverse comments on Trotskyists. M/C Fraser that question of leaflet for Dr. Speck meeting on May 20 be referred to Exec.

No Trade Union-PAC Reports

FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE: Scott reported that the Folk Night at the Bohemian Embassy will be held May 20 with a singer. Selection Committee has selected 25 very good students/applicants for Cuba Work Tour and has asked that the list be extended since the tour is to be made by air and more room is available. Kent reported Purdy, Steeves, Biesick and Mrs. Guild will be back from Cuba soon and that a public meeting should be arranged for them. Mounting threats and provocations against Cuba as noted in press, & id Castro May day speech ~~waxed~~, and that FP should prepare to mobilize pretest action. Sands reported FP Exec. mtg. on Wed. May 13.

COMMUNIST PARTY: M/C Massen that he be responsible for liaison between League and F.S. and the Maoist current in future.

NEW BUSINESS: Kent reported Bannen down with measles. M/C Scott from Exec. that next Branch mtg. be held Monday 18 due to long weekend. M/C Kent that starting June 3rd, Branch mtgs. be held on Wednesday nights instead of Sunday.

Fraser reported comrade L.N. from Vancouver will be visiting Toronto.

M/C No educational be held due to late hour.

M/C Brown that topic of educational due this meeting be given June 3. Brandall elected speaker.

M/C to ADJOURN the meeting at 10:30 PM

CHAIRMAN: Scott SECRETARY: Morgan SGT-AT-ARMS: Kent

MINUTES: Minutes of previous meeting adopted as read.

ATTENDANCE: M/C Cotton that B.S. and wife and comrade L.N. be seated at the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE: A press release announcing the League's intention to field a candidate in the coming by-election in the provincial seat of Riverdale ~~should the NDP fail to run a strong candidate~~. M/C Cotton to bring up this correspondence under N.D.P. on the agenda for discussion.

MEMBERSHIP & CONTACTS: Cotton reported on contacts of B.B. Frazer reported that various comrades are in contact with these youth.

Green and Frazer reported on contacts at last Forum, one of whom is a potential recruit to the youth local.

EDUCATIONALS: Bannon criticized some aspects of Blake's external on Morality, Ethics & Socialism.

Future Externals: Cotton reported Exec.Rec. that topic on Black Nationalism be given on May 25th. Morgan elected to chair. Kent to speak on Algeria on May 30. M/C Paul that the matter of speakers and their status in relation to the youth be referred to the Exec. due to lack of clarification.

Exec.Rec./C Cotton external on the Harassment of Cuba. M/C Kent that date for this subject be June 12th. Question of speaker delayed. Brown M/C topic for June 5th be discussed under New Business.

Future Internals: Pryce reported internals as set up.

TREASURER'S REPORT. M/C to adopt Sands report.

M/C to delay educational as Edwards late.

DRIVES: Cotton reported on Financial Drive Results Results now total \$2,178.47 from Toronto, \$673 from Cross-Country, and 779.11 from Vancouver. Kent pointed out counting pledges and further submission from Vancouver leaves a balance of \$151 to be collected from Toronto. M/C Kent to extend the drive 2 weeks to raise this balance. M/C Kent to accept further pledges toward the difference.

Cotton reported Exec. Rec. that sub drive start in the first week in June with a goal of 150 subs; and that the drive be split with another Fall drive of 150 subs. Sub-Captain to be Crandall. M/C Kent that renewal work be carried on independently of Sub drive. Frazer reported youth contract drive planned. Brown reported youth policy is to assist in Vanguard sub drive. A combined drive was proposed.

NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY: White reported on Bury speech to his local. It was reported that the press release read to the meeting earlier was designed to counter possible moves toward a deal between the NDP and Liberal/Temperton forces. A discussion followed on the public characterization of the League candidate as 'trotskyist'. M/C Irons that the question of whether the policy contained in the press release was a change or not be referred to the P.C. M/C to file the correspondence.

White reported on preparations for coming Metro NDP convention and extension of use of discussion panels to put emphasis on education rather than decision-making function of meeting. Kent suggested comrades in NDP should protest holding convention in mid-week, and should oppose agenda if it frustrates democratic debate.

Scott reported "Epic" ~~and~~ conference with right-wing ~~and~~ NDP and Liberal forces. Exec.Rec./C Scott and Massen attend, and that a leaflet be issued ~~protesting this discussion with liberals~~.

ANTI-WAR: It was reported Grindstone Island conference ~~cancelled~~. *on June 8*

TORONTO YOUTH LOCAL: It was reported the Y.S. have 3 Ottawa members now. M/C Crandall be ~~excused~~ excused from meeting briefly at this point.

SOCIAL: Cotton reported on May 30th social, to be emphasized as a Tour Send-Off Social. Cotton reported on Banquet sales: \$141.08 gross profit realized, and turned over to Vanguard Fund Drive. Actual operating expenses saw a net deficit of \$46, largely due to attendance being lower than anticipated. White commented on necessity of preventing sales of liquor to minors.

ANTI-WAR: Kent reported on a special leaflet for tomorrow night Dr. Spock meeting featuring Vanguard editorials relating to peace mvmt. policies. Scott reported FPCC also to distribute leaflet on threats and raids against Cuba. Chinese lit to be sold.

TRADE UNION- P.A.C.: Green reported on City Wide P.A.C. meeting to be held this week. Edwards reported CBC production on workers laid off at General Steel Wares and invitation to us to help do interviews. Green reported on last Labour Council meeting and meeting of post office workers.

PAFF PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE: Sands reported on last Exec. meeting and decision to produce leaflet to alert membership on possible crisis. The pamphlet on the cultural debate in Cuba has been postponed in light of more important developments occurring. Folk Night at the Bohemian Embassy on May 27 going ahead with several entertainers. Sands reported FPCC membership drive to be re-instituted.

NEW BUSINESS: Cotton reported on attempts to contact Malcolm X, and read a letter from his organization requesting information on size and type of meeting. M/C Kent to ~~take~~ table question of size of speakers fee to be offered.

M/C Kent that Forum topic on June 5th be Civil Rights in Canada.

Cotton reported on Exec. Rec. for summer series on Struggle for Proletarian Party to be given by Bannon. M/C to refer to Exec. in view of heavy summer schedule and problem of concurrent running of Capital classes.

Irons reported on ~~the~~ plans for demonstrations on increase in university fees.

GOOD & WELFARE: ~~XXXXX~~ Scott reported on meeting with Kent, ~~XXXXX~~, K.S. N.R. and herself and Labossiere on plans for the Vanguard tour this summer. It is to cover Ontario in the main, and is to be augmented by various women comrades on holiday. Weekend sub-drives will be launched to nearby centres in conjunction with the tour.

CALENDAR: Calendar read.

M/C to postpone scheduled educational to ~~next~~ next week.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 10:45 P.M.

BRANCH MEETING - MINUTES - MAY 24, 1964

(5 c.c.)

CHAIRMAN: Massen SECRETARY: Morgan SGT-AT-ARMS: Pryce

MINUTES: Minutes of the previous meeting adopted as corrected.

CORRESPONDENCE: M/C to file letter by Cotton on the Vanguard Fund Drive.

MEMBERSHIP & CONTACTS: Cotton reported on person met during distribution of Democratic Left meeting. Massen reported on laborite contact G.N. Kent reported on three youth who are contacts of B. B.'s. Sands reported on contact B.L. and Green on contact B.S.

EDUCATIONALS: M/C Kent that forum scheduled this coming Friday at which he is to speak on Algeria be switched with topic Civil Liberties in Canada to be given by Paul, scheduled for June 5th,, if Paul is able. Topic on Cuba scheduled for June 12th to be delayed because speaker is unable to give it on that date. Suggestions for topics by Sands and Edwards tabled.

Internal Educationals: Pryce reported schedule as follows: Edwards on United Secretariat Bulletin tonight, Stuart on Lenin & National Question next Branch meeting Wednesday June 3rd, and Crandall on L.T.'s pamphlet on June 10th.

TREASURER'S REPORT : None

EDUCATIONAL ~~LL~~ Edwards on I.S. Bulletin on the Internal Situation.

TRADE UNION -PAC: Green reported on the PAC convention held in Toronto. He reported also that he has been elected delegate to Bargaining Rights Committee.

DRIVES: Cotton reported pledged money for balance of Toronto quota for Vanguard Fund Drive coming in. M/C to expedite renewal drive as soon as possible.

NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY: Kent reported that a leaflet was distributed to the E.P.I.C. conference at Hart House during the afternoon. Massen reported on his and Scott's attendance at the conference. Massen also reported on a French Canadian delegate ~~WHIX~~ with whom he had discussion.

Irons reported on Davenport youth club. Massen reported on Forest Hill Club.

TORONTO YOUTH LOCAL: Irons reported on first issue of Toronto Area Council Youth publication published by Metro Council of NDY. Irons reported on weekend Plenum of Y.S. at which a local had been authorized for Ottawa. Kent commented on important contribution of Cmde. P.S. there.

PRESS: No Report

SOCIAL: Pryce reported on May 30th social.

ANTI-WAR: Edwards, Kent & Cotton reported on Dr. Spock mtg. at Massey Hall on previous Wednesday night at which special Vanguard leaflet was distributed and 28 pamphlets by the C.C.P. sold. It was reported that 1500 attended.

Kendall reported that Mrs. McPherson will speak next Tuesday at the Unitarian Church on the picketing of the NATO meeting at The Hague.

FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE: Sands reported Folk Night is this Wednesday.

NEW BUSINESS: Kendall reported that Capital class resumes next Tuesday night. Kendall reported meeting of VOW comrades at Leblanc's Sunday May 31st.

Kent reported on joint N.C.-Toronto Branch Executive mtg. which decided to set up an L.S.A. branch in Montreal. In the fall it is planned to begin publication of a mimeographed journal on the Quebec situation.

Cotton asked for volunteers to help prepare tour contact cards.

CALENDAR: Was read

MEETING ADJOURNED: At 10:20 PM.

CHMN: Sands SECTY: Morgan SGT-A-A: Paul -

MINUTES: Minutes of previous meeting adopted as read

MEMBERSHIP & CONTACTS: Kent reported on Greenwood. Dunn was welcomed back from Cuba.

EDUCATIONALS: Exec.Rec./C Cotton Forum topic for June 12 Can Capitalism Disarm? speaker Sands, Cameron chairman. Future Internals as lined up.

TREASURER'S REPORT: M/C to adopt report by Sands.

DRIVES: Cotton reported re Financial drive. Final total collected : \$4,057.08.

M/C to close financial drive.

M/C to strike off auditor to examine books. M/C Irons be the auditor.

M/CKent outstanding lists of pledges be given to Treasurer to collect.

Sub Drive: Grandall spoke on organization of drive. Minimum goal:150 subs, in a four week drive.

NDP: White reported a Metro NDP meeting on the Municipal election issues.

KT TORONTO YOUTH LOCAL: Irons reported on weekend at Camp Grindstone and coming CUCND Seminars. Also reported 618 copies of current issue of YSF sold at High schools. Also reported campaign to recruit contacts to local.

PRESS: Kent reported tour is ready to leave tomorrow with four women comrades, going into Niagara peninsula first. Cotton requested help on getting contact cards into shape.

SOCIAL: Cotton reported on last social.

ANTI-WAR: Sands reported on VOW. Kent reported on HCND campaign for recognition of ~~ENEMY~~ China. M/C to participate this campaign.

TRADE UNION -PAC: Edwards reported on CBRTGW M/C railway worker comrades discuss our position on Conciliation Board proposal. White reported on Labor Council mtg. and UAW local. Bannon reported on Printers local developments .

FPCC: Sands reported on Folk Nite. Also reported 45 students going on tour. ~~thru~~ Olson & Middleton to make statements at Garden Party on June 20.

NEW BUSINESS: Kent reported article list book missing.

M/C Cotton matter of future educationals be tabled.

Exec.Rec./C Cotton class on The Struggle for A Proletarian Party go ahead this summer.

M/C Cotton it begin after sub drive. M/C Bannon be class supervisor.

Brown reported he is leaving for Algeria on June 18th.

GOOD & WELFARE: Reports on M.A.'s furniture for sale. Cotton reported disuccsion on desirability of getting a cottage for the summer.

CALNDAR : read.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 10:10 P.M.

Toronto Branch Minutes Wed. June 17, 1964.

Chairman ~~George~~ ^{Paul}, Secretary-Irons, Sarg't at arms-Kendall
Minutes -of June 10 not available.

Correspondence -~~none~~

Membership and Contacts ; report by Kent on Bill. M-C that we approach Bill for serious discussions with a view to recruitment³. Bill on Fred D.

Educationals -~~internal~~M-C that report on external by Sands be referred to New Business. Paul

-internal-reports by Kent and ~~George~~ ^{Paul} on "Class, Mass and Leadership" which had been presented by Crandall.

-class-M-C that report on the organization for the classes be ready for next meeting, prepared by Bannon.

Educationals -Future -External

M-C that we adopt "The Flag Debate" as ~~the~~ external.

M-C that the Flag Debate be presented on June 26.

M-C that we adopt "the Family and Capitalism" as a topic for the forum on July 10.

~~SP~~ M-C that Robinson be the speaker for the Flag forum

The question of chairman was left to the organizer.

The speaker was also delegated to see Crandall, Paul, and George with a view to getting a speaker for the Family and Capitalism.

-internal- M-C that next week's internal be "the Absolute and Relative Pauperization of the Masses". Falconer was elected speaker. The topics of "canada , a National Economy?"

and "A history of our Movement" were referred to the Executive.

The topic "Confederation " was referred to the executive as a suggestion for an external.

The educational presented was Knight on "The Class Character of the Soviet Union" with specific treatment of the state capitalist and bureaucratic collectivist theses.

Sub Drive -report given by Knight. Total as of June 13 is 85.

New Democratic Party -M-C that the question of YDA be referred to the executive.

-a report was presented on the distribution at the ^{NPP} Annual Picnic. 21 issues of YSF were sold and the expulsion leaflet was widely distributed. - report that a meeting would take place in Richmond Hill on June 22.

Peace -report by Sands on VOW post convention meeting. It was also indicated that VOW is getting a CNE booth. -suggestion that FPCC should try to get booth as well.

FPCC- report on upcoming seminars and garden party on the 20th.

New Business M-C that "Reformism" be the topic for the internal on July 1 and that Paul be the speaker.

- report presented on Sands external on "Disarmament".

Chairman: Knight Secretary: Morgan Sgt.-at-Arms: Paul

Minutes: Minutes of the previous meeting June 17 were adopted as corrected. The Minutes of June 10, unread on June 17, were not available.

Correspondence: M/C to file Information Report Re Pabloite IEC Members, circular soliciting pre-publication order for new Preis book, and two letters from the tour from Brantford and London.

Membership & Contacts: Cotton reported 1) No report on ^{contact} Bill; 2) that Peterson works late and is unable to make meetings, 3) that Powell asked to be granted Leave of Absence for summer period. So Moved. Sigmen and Martin reported on contacts.

Educationals: Reports on last Forum by Cotton and internal by Knight, on last Capital class by Kendall. Cotton reported Bannon unable to give class on Struggle for Proletarian party. Exec.Rec./C Falconer give classes.

A poll is to be taken on best time for classes to be held.

Cotton M/C Falconer be available as Forum speaker.

Future External: Cotton reported lineup for July 3 on S.E.Asia, July 10 on ~~the~~ The Family and Capitalism M/C Organizer get available speaker a.s.a.p.

Crandall elected chairman for next forum July 3.

Future Internal: Cotton reported subjects referred to exec. rejected as unsuitable for internals. Exec.Rec./C Lessons of Paris Commune be topic,

Dunn speaker. M/C Kent Our attitude to anti-nuclear movement in 1940's and ~~our~~ attitude today, Labossiere to speak.

Treasurer's Report: None

Drives: ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Crandall reported on sub-drive progress. M/C prize of case beer be awarded to leading team to be paid by last team.

New Democratic Party: Bill reported on Riverdale Nomination meeting and Hunter reported on campaign preparations. Kent commented on participation in campaign. Labossiere reported on Richmond Hill club; she is delegate to Prov. ~~convention~~. It was suggested White contact unionists in that club refusing to renew membership. Irons reported distributing BC expulsions leaflet to Dovercourt meeting attended by about 10.

Toronto Youth Local: Irons reported picket protesting arrest of Mandela in South Africa attended by ~~40-50~~ sponsored by Metro NDY. A discussion on Y.D.A. in dovercourt after report by Cotton. M/C Kent that we sleep on this organization for time being. Crandall reported U.ofT. S.A.C. plans to protest Fee increase.

Social: M/C to refer place and date of picnic back to Exec. since Wards Island site not suitable.

Anti-War: Kendall and Labossiere reported on VOW Garden Party. Green reported TCND China-recognition petition being circulated in Eglinton area.

Trade-Union PAC: Green reported attending Educational Conference of Postal Wkrs. Union, and his article to be published in Local paper.

Fair Play: Kendall reported on summer Bulletin and Garden Party June 20 for tour students, attended by 75-100 & Cuban ambassador. Knight reported on Seminar that afternoon at which Olson and Cuban Ambassador spoke.

Kent suggested big sendoff for tour next Tuesday a.m. at airport to be televised. Press article in Globe & Mail on tour reported.

New Business: Bill reported Lions convention to be held in Toronto with Alabama governor Wallace to speak. M/C to refer matter to Youth Local to act. Kent commented on Cotton forum on Automation.

M/C Cotton letter to Malcolm X guaranteeing \$100 plus all proceeds over cost of meetings, be adopted.

Calendar: read

Meeting Adjourned: 11:15 P.M.

Chairman: Martin Sec'y: Morgan Sgt.-at-Arms: Pryce

Minutes: Minutes of the previous meeting adopted as corrected.

Correspondence: Kent reported loss of contact cards on tour in Windsor. These have been replaced by comrades working several nights. M/C Kent that nothing be said publicly on this subject.

Attendance: Taken

Membership & Contacts: M/C Kent that Knight and Blake be given leave of absence during the time they are away.

Question of roll call referred to exec. Cotton M/C Reinhard be dropped as a member from the Branch to sympathizer. Cotton reported Van's resignation from YS exec. M/C Cotton that Van be ~~requested~~ ^{directed} to withdraw his letter ~~from~~ of resignation from the YS.

Educational: Reports on Cameron on flag issue and Falconer on Pauperization of the Masses. Kendall reported on Capital Class; next to be held Tuesday 7:30pm. Falconer reported on preparation of class on Struggle for A Proletarian Party. Cotton requested those intending to participate in this class notify him at the end of the meeting.

Future External: Pryce reported Kent on S.E. Asia next forum. Family & Capitalism referred back to Exec. for lack of speakers. Exec. Rec. /C topic for July 17 be Latin America & Cuba. Paul elected speaker. M/C Kent forum July 10 be Are We In Favour of Confederation? Falconer elected to speak. Internals lined up.

Drives: Irons reported for Grandall that 195 of 200 goal subs has been attained. M/C Irons that sub drive be terminated.

N.D.P.: White reported he is local delegate to NDP Convention. Hunter reported on Riverdale nomination meeting. ~~White~~ Smith reported on developments in Dovercourt. M/C Irons that youth exec. rec. regarding Y.D.A. be referred to the executive.

Toronto Youth Local: Irons reported attending New York plenum plans.

Press: Vanguard off Friday. M/C Cotton paper mailing be Sat. morning.

Anti-War: Kendall reported re volunteer work at CNE for VOW.

Trade Union-PAC: White reported on DeHavilland situation.

FPCC: Kendall reported Summer Bulletin is off. Kent reported on Student Work Tour which has left with a small demonstration at Malton. Also, new pamphlet with contribution by Chartrand & Olson & Riddell is out.

C.P.: Massen reported on YCL.

New Business: Irons reported that the Vancouver branch has opened a new headquarters and bookstore in Granville St. Cotton reported on picket to protest Wallace speaking at Lion's convention and various organizations being contacted for Ad Hoc Committee.

M/C Irons to adopt rec. of Youth that 1) picket be branch activity 2) get NDY to participate in Ad Hoc Committee, 3) Edwards be co-ordinator. Kent M/C that if NDY comes into organization, comrades in this area co-ordinate.

~~Falconer~~ Falconer reported on poor attendance at Forums.

Pryce reported FPCC party at 21 Ellis Grdns. Sat. night.

M/C Cotton next Branch meeting be Thursday due to Wallace Picket line.

M/C Kent Exec. consider topic What is the Dialectic as an internal.

Calendar: read

Meeting Adjourned: 11:00 pm

(LSA) July 15, 1964

Secretary Cotton

Starting time-8:05p.m.

minutes-prev. minutes not ready:postponed until next meeting

Correspondence-none

Attendance taken: George and Crandell absented with reason

Membership & Contacts -

m/c ~~by Cotton~~ ^{Kent} that comrade Van be dropped expelled from membership in the L.S.A. ^{addendum}

Educationals -past internal-report by Kent on Dunn's "Paris Commune" speech
external-reports by Irons & Paul on Falconer's speech on "Confederation" ^(als)

-future internal-m/c Cotton: that July 22 & July 29 education be both postponed one week

-m/c Kent: that next week's be "Chinese position on Yugoslavia"--speaker Mack

-future external-line-up read by Cotton

-Falconer elected chairman for July 17

-class-report by Falconer on first of series of classes on "Struggle for a Proletarian Party":comments by Irons & Kent

Treasurers Report-none

Dues & Pledges -taken by Cotton

Internal Educational --Labosiere on "Pacifism-Now in and in post WW2"

NDP -Smith reported that an caucus meetings of comrades who are delegates to the coming provincial convention would take place tomorrow night

Youth -Irons reported on youth delegation to coming convention

Tour -Smith reported they will be in town tomorrow night

press -no report

social -m/c by social committee,presented by Cotton: that we have a picnic this weekend, all arrangements identical to the one that had been planned last week

TU-PAC - report by Edwards on new developments in his local

M/C that branch endorse his running for local chairman since he has reliable backing in the local: comments by visiting brother J.D. & by Kent

-report by Jones on his role in Hod Carriers & connections with local president J.G.:discussion that Brian Dunn be encouraged to join the local

-announcement that Smith will be joining a U.E. shop this week

-report by Falconer on organizing attempts in his shop

Discussion by Kent, urging comrade to contact Steelworkers

-report by Pine of intentions to quit job in Teasasters, ~~join~~ ~~EE~~ and take new one that puts him in CBRT

m/c that this move be endorsed by branch

-report by Kent on typographers strike & role of our comrades on picket line: suggestion that organizer contact our friends in the local

- added discussion on sympathy demonstrations with the Typographers

FPCC-report by Mack on application for CNE booth, & on July 26 picnic

CP--no report

New Business-M/C by Cotton: that we postpone park speaking planned for this Sunday because of picnic, but we resume it as soon as possible

-discussion by Irons: need of people to obtain & turn over to organizer the names of politicals we meet

Calendar read

Meeting adjourned 10:35 p.m.

Membership:-

Whereas: Comrade Van has failed to comply with the resolution passed by the branch on July 9 reading that he "be directed to withdraw his letter of resignation from the YS", and thereafter withdrew from participation in the youth group, and

Whereas: Comrade Van had not so much as brought before either the branch or the branch executive his intention to resign, first from the youth executive and then from the youth group itself, hitherto his main field of political activity,

Therefore: be it resolved that Comrade Van be expelled from membership in the LSA

Chairman-George Secretary -Cotton Sgt-At-Arms-Kent meeting started 8:05

Correspondence-letter from Blake ~~filed~~ read and filed

Attendance

Membership-my/c that Van be permitted to make a statement re: his expulsion (see below)
educational-internal-past: Kent reported on Laborsiere "Pacifism-Post WW2 & Now"

-future: m/cCotton -that tonights internal be a discussion on
our role in the anti-Wallace picket line

: m/c ~~Kenn~~Pine-that all internals be postponed a week

-external-past:report by Anderson on Paul's "U.S. in S. America"

-future: lineup read by Cotton

-class-report by Jones on class "Struggle for a Proletarian Party"

Treasurers report-none

Dues and Pledges-taken by Cotton

Membership (continuation of above)

-m/c that Van be admitted to the meeting to put forward a statement re: expulsion that branch passed last week, since he had been unable to be present last week

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-statement given by Van

-m/c: that comrade Van be allowed to remain in the meeting

-motion by Paul: that we rescind last weeks expulsion

-m/c White: that we refer this appeal & Paul's motion to the executive for a further report

Internal Educational-discussion on Wallace demonstration: lead by Cotton, based on attached report from the executive

Drives-none

NDP-Jones & White report on Riverdale by-election

- Cotton report on NDP caucus meeting and our role in coming NDP convention

- White report on UAW caucus for coming Ont NDP convention

-m/c Cotton: that LSA grant \$30 to our NDP comrades to rent hotel room for caucusing purposes

Youth-report by Falconer

tour-report by Kent:notice that Labosierre had joined it for two weeks

Social-discussion on picnic: recommended to social committee that we have another soon

Anti-war-discussion on need to prepare for action on S. Vietnam, protest Canada's entering into it

-suggestion by Falconer that a couple of our comrades take membership in Peace Congress in order to obtain their literature

FPCC-report by Kendall

TU-FAC- report by Edwards on his campaign for chairmanship for his local

- report by White on UAW elections and his role in it, and on new caucus alignment

-Cameron report hiring opportunities now exist in Transport industry

- report that Smith now has job of railway driver, and that Powell may soon be employed in the city

/Jones report on hod-carriers meeting

CP-report by Jenkins on Maoists: supplementary discussion

New Business-m/c Kendall be granted leave of absence for a week

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- Hunter reported on tonights NDY metro meeting, and on "Emancipation" parade and dance. m/c that LSA establish contact with them and get

parade and dance: m/c that LSA establish contact with them and get invited to organizing meeting: m/c that we bring in FPCC, CSND, etc.

-m/c that exec. have emergency meeting on this issue tomorrow

Good & Welfare-statement by Cameron that D. be considered a live contact

meeting adjourned~~xxx~~ 11:10 p.m.

Chairman: Falconer Secretary: Bannon

m/c that if the branch secretary (Morgan) is not present at the next meeting the organizer inquire as to his non-attendance, and that if the situation is not rectified, the branch consider election of a new secretary.

Sgt-at-arms: Robinson.

Correspondence: Secretary read two letters from the tour comrades. m/c to file. Kent reported letter from Montrealese re Canada-China friendship to paper.

Attendance: 20

Membership and Contacts: Cotton reported that com. Bill V. accepted invitation to join the branch. m/c his membership be accepted. Coms. Mkl Bill, Mack and Sigmen requested two-week leaves of absence. These were granted. Sigmen reported on contact of his at PIT. Green reported contact he met at July 26 FPCC picnic. Jones reported on two Spanish contacts he met in his union local; both seems promising, attended Forum, also attended FPCC picnic. Green and Cotton commented on general attendance of branch meetings. Cotton welcomed com. Bill V. into the branch. Bannon reported for the executive on the matter of the motion referred from the last meeting to rescind Van's expulsion. The executive recommended defeat of this motion and advised the branch that Van was not constitutionally entitled to an appeal at the branch level. Motion to rescind the expulsion of Van - defeated.

Educationals: PAST REPORTS External: Green reported on the last Forum, "What's Wrong with Parliament?", given by Robinson. Internal: no ~~XXXX~~ report. Class: Report by Falconer - attendance at last session 14, new contact present. Some discussion. FUTURE External: adopted: August 13- U.S. Negro Struggle - speaker Bannon, chairman Cotton; August 21 - American Election Campaign - speaker Robinson. Internal: Cotton reported current schedule. Kent suggested to executive consideration of a Trotsky memorial meeting.

Dues and Pledges.

Educational: Are Canadian Workers ready for Trotskyism? - Hunter.

New Democratic Party: Smith reported caucus meeting of NDP comrades ~~km~~ this ~~xxx~~ coming Thursday in preparation for the convention. Also reported he had rented hotel room for caucus. Sigmen and Jones reported on the Riverdale byelection campaign.

Youth local: Youth organizer reported recruitment of two new members and reported on the "Emancipation Day" parade of last Saturday.

Press: Kent commented on the publication of FI statements on the split of the LSPP in Ceylon.

Social: Cotton reported that another picnic was tentatively set for August 16.

Trade Union and PAC: Edeards reported on developments in his CBRT local.

FPCC: Mack and Edeards reported on July 26 picnic - criticized low attendance by comrades. Mack suggested that insufficient contact work done by coms. at these affairs. Mack reported Committee refused ONE beeth. m/c to refer to executive question of holding meeting of coms. in FPCC work with executive for discussion of overall policy and perspectives.

Communist Party: no report.

New Business: Cotton and Kent commented on developments in the newspaper printers' strike.

Good and Welfare: Some discussion by comrades on our contact work at social's. Kent reported that mail to coms. on Cuba tour should be sent in the next few days.

Literature on Table.

Calendar: read.

Meeting adjourned: 10.55 p.m.

MINUTES OF TORONTO BRANCH (LSA) AUGUST 5 (Found in 1964)

convened 9;10

Chairman - Pine Secretary - Sands
Sgt.-at-arms - Kendall

Minutes - read & adopted

Attendance - Mack on vacation

Membership & Contacts - M/C that I. O. be seated as visitor

Educationals - Irons, & Falsoner commented on external by Sands
class- M/C that class next week be postponed because of NDP convention
discussion followed on participants lack of preparation

Future Educationals - line-up read out
M/C that internal for tonight moved back a week

Drives - suggestion that sub drive be undertaken during Br adview bi-election

NDP - report on convention by Smith, youth are drafting leaflet on expulsions
to be distributed to convention.

discussion followed on Broadview campaign M/C that all comrades participate
in campaign

M/C that caucus meeting of all delegates and comrades with past
convention experience be held 2.00 Sunday

K nt reported on statement by Douglas on Vietnam suggestion that this
might provide lever for emergency resolution in Convention.

Toronto Youth Local - 3 youth comrades have gone to Orillia for Vanguard
sub drive social at Sands caucus will be held on COFI

Tour - Leboussiere reported

Press Vanguard will be revised to handle Vietnam

Social - M/C that a picnic be held August 16

Anti-War - Cotton reported on picket line against USA 40 participated
under LSA & YCND. No other organizations would participate
M/C that we attempt immediately to mobilize a mass picket line
for Saturday afternoon.

Trade-Union & PAC - Sands reported that a number of scabs in ITU are
school-teachers. Possibility suggested of action by members of
teachers association.

Calendar / read
Meeting adjourned 11.05

Chairman : Edwards Secretary: Mack Sgt.-At-Arms Kendall

Minutes of August 5th read and adopted

Correspondence: The secretary read a letter from the tour comrades

Membership & Contacts: Moved and carried that J.D. and G. be seated in the meeting and that J& S.S. be accepted as members of the branch.

Educationals: Past Report External: Green reported on Kent's external "NDP Convention".

Educationals Future: The Following were adopted as future educationals (Ext Aug 21st The Chinese Position on Soviet Union Speaker Paul Chr. Falconer Aug. 28th What does Trotskyism Mean Today " Kent Chr. Sands It was moved and carried that " US Elections & Goldwater be postponed. Proposals for future externals referred to E.C.

Future Internals: M/C that an internal on " Our Experience in the NDP Convention" be given Aug 19th Speaker Smith .

Treasurer's Report: Moved and Carried that Treasurer's Report be adopted.

Internal Internal on "Dialectics & Entry " given by Irons

NDP Report on the NDP Convention given by White and supplemented by Hunte It was suggested that in his report next week Smith should give details of contact work carried out during conference.

Youth: Irons reported that the Youth Conference would be held 20th Sept. and would include a review of its activity during the past seven years, as well as hold its elections.

Tour: It was agreed that Tour Correspondence be read under Tour in the Agenda in order that comrades could discuss it as an item. It was reported that Tour comrades were speaking at a caucus mtg. in Ottawa.

Press: Report of distribution given by Cotton.

Social M/C that we change location of picnic to Hanlans Point.

Anti-War Report of Viet Nam picket given by Cotton. It was proposed that comrades involved in Anti-War movement should bring reports of work around the China Petition to the next Branch Mtg and that the E.C. should discuss the question.

Trade Union PAC: Report on the T.L.C. given by White.

FPCC It was reported that a caucus meeting would be held after tour return

C.P. Moved & Carried that this item be dropped from the Agenda.

New Business Kent reported on the latest development in the Maoist group in Vancouver.

Moved and Carried that the Branch Conference be held Sept. 13

Park Speaking. Assessment of Park Meeting given by Kent & Cotton. It was suggested that the youth should engage in similar activity.

Calendar Read

Meeting Adjourned 10.55

Minutes of Toronto Branch (L.S.A.) August 19th 1964

Chairman: Robinson Secretary: Mack Sgt.-At-Arms: Kendall

Minutes of August 12th read and adopted with one correction

Correspondence Letter from Kent regarding Fund Raising for Int. moved to N.B.

Attendance taken George & Bannon absented with reason.

Membership & Contacts:

M/C that we attempt to recruit ~~2~~ ³ *Spanish contact* to the Branch

M/C that H be seated but that the E.C. of the Youth clarify our attitude regarding youth comrades attendance at Branch meetings.

Report on Morgan given by Cotton

Educationals - past report external given by Massen on Bannon's speech on "Negro Struggle"
- past report internal given by Irons & Falconer.
- Class - report by Falconer - fifteen people are now attending class.

Educationals Future External;

Future Line -Up Read.

M/C that the "Tour Report " be given Aug.28th & that the Trotsky Memorial Meeting as such be dropped.

M/C that our policy regarding Forum speakers be referred to E.C. for discussion

Future Internals:

M/C that next week's internal be " Algeria " speaker Brown.

M/C that Sept 2nd be " Cuba Tour Report "

NDP Report on election work in Riverdale bye-election given by Masses, Irons & Crandall and Hunter. It was stressed that comrades attempt to get the better polls in order to do serious canvass work. Report by Pine on North York Riding.

M/C that we have a sub-drive in Riverdale.

Youth Report given by Irons.

Social M/C that we hold a "Welcome Home social for the Tour comrades & Brown next Saturday. Kent reported on the picnic and pointed out that the poor organization of the picnic was politically bad.

Anti-War Kendall reported that VOW had reduced her attendance at the CNE booth to one day

Trade Union FAC: It was proposed that we call ~~xx~~ a meeting of people who have contact with the ITU and attempt to find some means of collaborating with them. Dunn reported he ~~is now~~ ^{notes to Brown} a member of Motion Picture Projectionists Union.

FPCC- Report on Fair Play activities given by Sands. Press Conference ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ for returning students will be held Saturday Aug.29th.

New Business: Kendall appealed to the comrades to return overdue books to the Library.

- M/C that the Toronto Branch accept an objective of \$250 towards the International Fund. Closing date for the Fund Sept 15th. Crandall struck off to collect pledges.
- Parks Meeting planned for this Sunday at Allan Gardens.

Calendar Read.

Meeting adjourned 10.45

Minutes of Toronto (L.S.A) Branch Meeting Aug.26th 1964

Chairman: Brown Secretary: Mack Sgt.At Arms: Paul

Minutes of August 19th adopted as amended

Attendance: Absented with reason George, Morgan, Crandall & Bannon

Membership & Contacts:

- A motion requesting leave of absence for Morgan was tabled.
- M/C that N,D,& G. be seated.
- Report by James that Blanco, Lorca, and Alonso are now members of the branch. In welcoming these comrades to the branch Falconer intimated that their recruitment is a tribute to the seriousness of our work. In a statement to the branch Blanco also made this point.
- M/C that Falconer be granted transfer to Montreal. In motivating this motion Kent reported the favourable situation in Montreal - as of Sept the Montreal branch will have its own headquarters. A recognition of Falconer's participation in the life of the branch was given by Kent.
- An explanation of Black's absence from meetings was given by Cotton.
- Report on D given by Edwards.
- Report on Austrian contact given by Irons.
- Bill reported press item regarding the expulsion of R.B. from the N.D.P. - details of the expulsions in Vancouver given by Kent.

Educationals - Past Report external on Paul's speech on "China's Attitude to the S.U. Today" reported by Sands, Crandall Falconer & Edwards. The inadequate introduction of speakers at our Forum was raised by J.S. It was M/C that in future a short introduction should be made.

Past Report Internal on Smith speech on the "NDP Convention" given by Irons.

Park Speaking: Scott reported that this was a very worthwhile activity.

Future Externals: The following externals moved and carried:-

Sept. 4th "Algeria" Speaker Brown, Chr. Kent.

Sept. 11th "The ITU Strike & its Implications" *PANEL*

Sept. 18th "Report on Student Tour"

Future Internals Moved & Carried.

Aug. 26th "The Minneapolis Strike" speaker Edwards

Sept 2nd "Cuba Tour Report"

Class: M/C that the remaining two classes on the "Struggle for a Proletarian Party" be given by Irons & Kent.

Park Speaking: M/C that we hold a Parks meeting this Sunday. Suggested that we investigate other Parks before the meeting starts. M/C that the choice of speakers for the park be left to the Organizer.

Drives & Subscriptions: ~~XXX~~ Fund Crandall reported that \$278 had been pledged.

Sub-Drive M/C that Scott be sub-drive co-ordinator.

M/C that we initiate campaign after Riverdale bye-election on the 12th Sept.

N.D.P. Report by White & Hunter on Riverdale.

Press: Jones reported that a Canadian Baseball team is going to Cuba.

Socials Urgent business such as hall bookings for next year's activities referred to EC.

Anti-Waf: Cotton reported that the China Petition is still being circulated.

Trade Union PAC: Cameron reported on the situation in the Teamsters and the decision to renew publication of F.W.D with a special issue first.

- Report by White on caucus development in the UAW. Report by D. on the joint meeting of I.T.U. & presidents of other locals - discussion followed.
- Cotton reported that the I.T.U. contact meeting had been postponed till 30th Aug
- Edwards reported the possibility of his becoming a delegate to the Tor.&Dis. Labour Council sometime in September.

Labour Council & Municipal Elections The probability that the Labour Council

Branch Minutes of 26th August cont'd

would not endorse a Labour sleight at its Sept. 12th meeting was discussed. M/C that the strategy of the Toronto Branch be worked out and discussed by the E.C. before the next Branch meeting.

F.P.C.C. Report by Mack that a financial drive to raise \$2,000 for Student pamphlet had been launched. A Public meeting on the Tour will be held Sept. 10th.

New Business: Letter from Cotton regarding the termination of his job as branch Organizer.

- M/C that Scott take active part or organizer.
 - Suggestion by Kent that a number of comrades spend the Sept week-end helping to set-up Montreal headquarter.
 - Details of Branch Conf. Reports & Reporters given by Cotton
 - Reminder of Labour Day Sales & Leaflet distribution by FPCC - Kent
 - ✓ Kent proposed clean-up of headquarters take place Sunday after Park meeting.
- Calendar Read.

Meeting adjourned 11.15.

Minutes of Toronto (L.S.A.) Branch Meeting Sept.2nd 1964

Chairman: Sands Secretary: Mack Sgt.-At-Arms Paul

Minutes of August 26th adopted as read

Attendance: Absented with reason Smith, Edwards, Bannon, Pryce, & George
- M/C that the visitor from the U.S. be seated.
- M/C that D be accepted as member of the branch & welcomed to the branch by Scott. Cotton reported that H.C. had applied for re-admission to the branch - this matter referred to E.C.
- Scott will report on Morgan at the next branch meeting.

Educationals - pas report on Scott's report on the "Vanguard Tour" given by Brown & Paul.

- past report internal on Edwards educational "The Minneapolis Strike" given by Crandall & Brown.

Future Externals Line-up read. Cotton reported difficulty in lining up outside speakers for the panel discussion Sept 11th on the I.T.U.

Future Internals Moved & Carried:-

Sept 16th "Objective Conditions & Party Perspectives - Scott
Sept. 16th "Report on Algeria " by Brown.

Motion to table proposed internal " Ceylon & the Lessons of the S.S.S.P.

Class : M/C that the Monday night class be along the lines of the "Struggle for a Proletarian Party in Canada & not a history of the Party. Irons reported an attendance of fifteen people at the Class.

Treasurer's Report: Report by Scott on the financial situation in the Branch. Our immediate needs require comrades to increase pledges now & there should be a nominal pledge of \$1 per week for every comrade. Nine comrades pledged increases. M/C that the report be adopted.

Drives & Subscriptions: Crandall reported on the Int.Fund. Kent reported that Vancouver had pledged \$100 bringing total pledged to \$278.

Subs. Drive: ~~It was agreed that the sub-drive target be 200. NO TARGET SET~~

N.D.P. J.S. reported that canvassing in Riverdale was very encouraging.

Youth. Irons reported that the youth had recruited another member. He also reported that YSF would be sold at Beatles concert.

Press Details to Labour Day Sales were discussed.

Trade Union PAC. Cotton reported on ITU contact meeting. Sands reported that Edwards is involved in CHRT caucus of 40 people.

F.P.C.C. Mack reported on Student meeting on the 8th Sept.

New Business: Letter from the P.C. regarding press release issued by Kent regarding our participation in ~~municipal~~ elections
- M/C that we concur with P.C. opinion that the ~~release~~ line of the release was correct.
- Labossiere asked if meetings would be changed to Sundays during the winter - referred to E.C.

Municipal Elections: The following decisions were M/C with the proviso that we make adjustments if the Labour Council endorses a Labour sleight.

- 1.) That we participate in Municipal Elections
- 2) That we run for Mayor & Board of Control
- 3) That we run Kent for Mayor & Scott for Board of Control.
- 4) That we appeal for support to Tor. & Dis. Labour Council.
- 5) That we launch a Financial Drive to finance elections target \$1,000.

Parks Meeting. M/C that we not hold a parks meeting this Sunday.

Branch Conference M/C that we open nominations tonight and next week. The following comrades were nominated :-

Branch Minutes of Sept 2nd Cont'd

Secretary: Mack, J.S. Martin, Hunter.

Treasurer: Sands, S.S. B.V.

Organizer: Scott, Paul

E.C. Cotton, Scott, Pryce, Bannon, Brown, Knight Mack, Sands, Smith
White Martin, Edwards, Crandall, Massen Connelly, Kent.

Good & Welfare : M/C that we have another clearing-up session on Sunday.

Calendar Read

Meeting adjourned at 10.45

FINANCIAL REPORT TO THE LSA CONFERENCE (TORONTO) SEPT 8
Period covering July 1963 to July 1964 Treasurer - Sands

Preliminary remarks

The question of finances is a vital one to any organization. The stamps paper, envelopes, rent must all be paid for. It is the responsibility of all members to assure to smooth running of the movement in all areas not only that of political activity and the main Burden of contributions falls on us. The job of treasurer is often considered just another Joe-job but I feel that this is a very important job requiring certain capabilities, specifically that this comrade have a serious attitude towards it, is very aggressive & unafraid of asking for money.

TOTAL INCOME	\$4865.74	average income per month approx.	\$400
		average pledges per month	" \$255.75
		" dues " " "	17.21
		" forums " " "	41.10

We received \$538.46 in donations

We received \$558.24 from socials and had \$550.98 in expenses. We should be making a profit from socials.

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$4788.08

Wages per month \$160
Rent per month \$150
Incidentals per month 50

DEBTS

Rent \$200
Dep-e
Vanguard for municipal election dept \$296

CONCLUSIONS We need a minimum of \$400 a month to keep up present level of activity. In order to take on more tasks require more money. The present pledges seem adequate to increase our income if kept up-to-date. The one bad aspect seems to be the non-profit made on socials.

Most recruits have come from the student arena, though only two are still studying. The majority of the local is still composed of workers (15 of 50) while over the year a growing number of comrades have acquired steady jobs and have become union members.

Sept 1964
J. Grandall

REPORT ON THE TORONTO YOUTH LOCAL

The development of the Toronto youth local in the past year has occurred against a background of general decline of radical youth movements. The YCL is dead, the CUCND has become a sect, and the NDY survives only by our own efforts. But our local has tried with some success to find new roads to radical youth, and has experienced modest numerical and impressive political growth.

We now have twice as many comrades within the NDY. At the same time, the Toronto NDY has declined to a lifeless shell outside the area of our activity. It is no longer easy to recruit out of the NDY; yet our activity has been very successful. We are tolerated by the right wing, and we have built our own militant NDY clubs. We have brought contacts into our clubs and trained them in the political arena of the NDY. We have carried out militant actions under the banner of the NDY and with the rubber stamp of the right wing - such as the Mandela demonstration, the Chartrand meeting, or the publication of an NDY newsletter. And at NDY conventions, we can caucus openly and project our ideas across the province.

Last year our first organized university caucus operated on two campuses. It worked through a variety of activities: an openly Marxist "Socialist Club" which e.g. held a meeting for Ross Dowson; meetings on Cuba which attracted consistently high attendance; work in NDY and CUCND clubs, and the Cuba campaign, our greatest success. We made no breakthroughs, and did not directly recruit from campus work. We are confident, however, that the foundation has been laid for concrete progress this year.

The high schools are becoming our most crucial area of work. We have approached high school students with the YSF, and we have been impressed by the degree of political interest and lack of prejudice of the students. Since its inception we have sold some 2000 copies of YSF to high school students. We have also worked through a high school anti-war movement. It is now extending its scope with a small magazine and a campaign for free textbooks. Recruitment from the high schools has been hindered by the combination of financial dependence and family pressure to which high school students are subject, and our lack of a centre to meet readers of YSF.

A year ago we were active in a young workers anti-war movement, the YCND. It was weakened by the general defeat of the anti-war movement in the 1963 elections, and finally destroyed by the withdrawal of the Stalinists. Our work was still fruitful; it gained us many contacts, effectively destroyed the YCL, and greatly strengthened our ~~max~~ influence in the high schools.

The YSF has helped fill the need for open activity, consistent with our NDY orientation. It now has a sub base of 250, a good base of high school sales. It has held forums, participated in demonstrations under its own banner, and is now planning to acquire some form of public headquarters.

The Toronto local has been instrumental in the creation of a national movement. We now have a new local, in Ottawa, as well as comrades at 9 points in Canada. We have a national activity, the YSF, a lively national discussion over the question of public headquarters, and a National Executive Committee in Toronto which has been gradually developing in experience and authority.

The local is about the same size as a year ago. Four leading comrades have been transferred to other centres, and younger comrades have taken over leading positions in the executive, while 10 new recruits have maintained the numerical strength of the local (over)

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REPORT ON THE TORONTO YOUTH LOCAL

Chairman: Jones

Secretary Mack

Sgt.-At - Arms Kendall

Minutes of Sept 2nd adopted as corrected.

Attendance Absented with reason White, Bannon, George. Late with reason Connolly McGuire, Robinson, Paul.

Membership & Contacts:

M/C that we seat B. from Montreal. Scott reported on her discussion with Morgan regarding his membership of the branch. Scott reported that N wishes to become a member of the branch and will attend its next meeting. It was M/C that the relationship between the Youth movement and the Branch in terms of membership, be discussed by the Branch Executive and the Youth Executive. M/C that we seat D. from Montreal.

Educationals - Past Report External on Brown speech on Algeria given by Connolly, Knight & several other comrades. Comrades protested the noise from the back room while the meeting was in progress

- Past Report Internal on Knight's report on the Cuba Tour given by Brown & Crandall.

Class: Kent reported that Y.S.A. tapes were used as a basis for last Monday's class- Sands also reported.

Future External: M/C - Concurrence with E.C. decision not to feature J.M. as speaker for Forum on I.T.U. Strike, and to replace panel discussion with Paul as speaker. M/C that we distribute I.T.U. picket line with a notice of the meeting.

M/C that Crandall be chairman for the meeting.

M/C that Sands chair the meeting on the Cuba Tour Report on the 18th.

Future Internals: Line-up Read.

Future Class: It was reported that Kent would give the last of the series of the Struggle for a Proletarian Party on Monday. Irons reported that tapes are available ~~in Chicago~~ in Chicago & we should consider these for future classes.

Treasurer's Report: - International Fund Crandall reported that only \$131 of the \$297 pledged had been received.

Drives & Subscriptions: M/C that the sub-drive commence Saturday 19th and that the E.C. bring down a recommendation regarding target. Paul gave a report of sub-work in Riverdale.

N.D.P. Scott reported distribution of N.D.P. Meeting in Rosedale. - Robinson reported on the meeting itself. Hunter & Massen reported on the preselection rally at which 300 people attended - discussion on the nature of the campaign followed.

Youth: Irons reported that 47 copies of YSF were sold at Beattie's concert.

Irons also reported briefly on the Youth Plenum in the U.S.A.

Press: Scott reported that 232 copies of the ~~paper~~ paper were sold on Labour Day.

Trade Union/PAC: Edwards reported that he is now a delegate to Tor/Dis. Labour Council, and gave details of CBRT caucus & union Meeting. Paul reported that he is now eligible for membership in the Carmen's Union and had paid the membership fee.

FPCC: M/C that the report of the E.C. meeting with comrades in FPCC be included in Branch Conference Report. From a discussion on the Student Meeting it was moved and carried that we recommend to the E.C. a class in public speaking.

New Business: Scott reported contents of a leaflet distributed to the Labour Council demanding that they run a sleight in the Municipal Elections. A Much broader leaflet was distributed to the Labour Day Parade - 1800 copies.

Branch Conference: - M/C that the Conference convene at 10 a.m.

- M/C that elections be held at the culmination of the Conference.

- M/C that the E.C. bring down a recommendation regarding "plumping".

E.C. recommendations: M/C that we accept six-man executive then Organizer, Treasurer. and Secretary.

Executive Cotton, Bannon, Mack, Lyle, Edwards, Pryce. Further nominations for E.C. - Brown, Knight, Scott, Martin Hunter, Paul.

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Secretary: E.C. nomination Martin. Further nominations Mack, Connolly.

Treasurer: E.C. nomination Kendall

Good & Welfare: Scott reported that the six comrades who had gone to Montreal to help establish the headquarters, there reported that the branch now had other quarters. She also reported that the clean-up of our headquarters is not complete.

Calendar Read

Meeting adjourned 10.36

Call to Order : 10.10 am. Chair: Brown, Sec: Knight

Attendance : Scott, Wolfe, Kendall, Edwards, Bannon, Dunn, Massen, Robertson, Sands, Irons, Cotton, LeBousiere, Pine, White, Crandall, Pryce, Anderson, Evans, Connolly, McGuire, Smith, Jones, Kent, Brown, Knight, Green, Mack, Lorca, Blanco, Alonzo, LeBlanc.

Seated: Dave B., Brian S., Roma E., Diane, Vernel O., Harry S., Nataly H., Karen K.,

Rules of Order : Non-comrades have neither voice nor vote, but can ask for voice from floor.

Procedure : M/C to open floor for further nominations before morning adjournment.

Press Report : Speaker Kent. Kent stressed both the importance, and current success of the Vanguard. Characterized the paper as the most vital activity of the whole organization, Urging comrades to write more frequently for the paper and to utilize the paper more fully for contact work. The report further stressed the need to sustain the paper on a permanent, not, as in the past, on a drive basis.

Discussion: LeBousiere proposed use of simpler style and using the paper in a more educational manner.

White suggested forming a "writer's group" to achieve a more popularly written circulation of our ideas, through the medium of union papers, P.A.C.'s, in an effort to legitimize our ideas in the labour movement.

Trade Union Report: Speaker Edwards.

Discussion

Kent pointed out present lack of contact in unions, recruitment consisting mainly of youth, un-skilled workers, students. Proposed that organizer do more fulltime trade union contact work, and urged that comrades out of schooling get into shops. Further suggested that the T.D.L.C. be used as basis for the caucus suggested by the speaker, that this caucus not be built on a broad basis but on a specific perspective in each shop.

White stated necessity to integrate ourselves as serious comrades, to get on the shop committees, to build a base by taking on the "Jimmy Higgins" type jobs.

M/C Concurrence with report.

FPCC

: Speaker Mack.

Discussion: Vernel O. pointed out the contradiction existing in the committees all time high membership and publication while at the same time the functioning core has narrowed down to comrades, a situation which has tended to scare less committed people away. He also pointed out the tremendous success of the committee as a broad front, headed by Trotskyists.

Crandall urged that we attempt to broaden executive and that it should meet more frequently. Scott pointed out the opportunities for educating cadre in building the leadership of the committee. She also suggested opening the FPCC caucus to certain very close layers not actually in the party.

Kent commented that the Tour offered excellent opportunities to widen the committee and specifically to build a Student Committees. The tour itself shows a certain inability to work with noncomrades or even anti-trotskyists on a minimal basis.

M/C Concurrence with report.

Financial

: Speaker Sands.

White urged one of the comrades to take on the responsibility for a new truck.

M/C to adopt report.

Re-opening of Nominations:

M/C to close nominations further post being open only to comrades already nominated, giving them an opportunity to run for other posts if defeated.

M/C that we have social committee elections of four people, along with other elections.

Nominations for organizer, secretary, treasurer, executive (6) and social committee (4) were taken. Adjourned.

Minutes of the Toronto Branch Conference, Afternoon Session Sept. 13, 1964

1;50 The afternoon session was called to order. Sands was elected chairman for the afternoon session and Irons, secretary.

A report on the New Democratic Party was presented by Smith.

2;00 Questions were raised on the attitude of the rank and file N D P members' attitude towards N D P candidates in municipal elections, on the degree of activity in the N D P clubs in the city, on our experience in recruitment from the N D P and on the perspective for our movement for the next national convention of the N.D.P.

2;10 Discussion; - Discussion followed on the need to enter and build the unions supporting the New Democratic Party and on the collaboration which took place with some unionists at the last ONDP convention. Several comrades also spoke on the N D P ~~as~~ as an arena of political orientation as well as, as a field of concrete activity. It was pointed out that although this is the main orientation of the branch, the inactivity and apathy in N D P circles often led to situations where the N D P was not the principle field of concrete work. Comrades also commented on the successful byelection in Riverdale and its impact on the N D P in terms of a possible revitalization and in terms of projecting the demand for NDP candidates in the municipal elections.

~~2;30~~ The report was adopted.

2;30 The youth report was presented by Crandall

2;55 Questions followed on the sources of recruitment in the youth movement and on the possibilities of continued work in the NDY.

3;00 Discussion; Comrade Kent spoke of the necessity of the League to come to the aid of the youth group financially, should it decide to open its own headquarters. Several comrades spoke of the necessity for more ~~xxxx~~ independent work within the context of the orientation. Comments on the success of recent NDY work and the prospects on the campus this year were ~~xxxx~~ voiced.

Following a summary by Crandall the report was adopted.

The conference adjourned from 3;15 to 3;30 for a coffee break.

3;30 Cotton presented the organizational report.

4;00 Motion carried to grant a 5 minute extension to Cotton.

4;05 Discussion. Comrades discussed the need for greater audacity on the part of the League in projecting itself organizationally into the political scene here in Toronto. Increased work should be done on and ~~xxxx~~ with our contacts and a more serious attitude should be developed towards work with the Vanguard.

The report was adopted.

4;20 The Elections

Motion carried; that in the elections for executive and for the social committee there be no plumping.

Motion carried; that because there are only ~~x~~ one nominee for the posts of secretary, treasurer, and organizer, the voting be by hand.

A Teller's Committee consisting of Knight, Cameron, and ~~Evans~~ was elected. Scott was elected organizer unanimously.

Martin was elected secretary unanimously.

Kendall was elected treasurer unanimously.

* By secret ballot the branch elected the following six man executive; Cotton, Pryce, Bannon, Mack, Smith, and Edwards.

Paul was nominated for the social committee and stood.

* By secret ballot the branch elected the following four comrades; Jones, Labossiere, McGuire, and Connolly.

The conference of the Toronto branch ended at 4;55 with the singing of the International.

F.P.C.C. Report

BRANCH CONFERENCE SEPT. 16th 1964

The first part of this report will review the activities of F.P.C.C. since the last Branch Conference - the membership of the Committee, its publications in the last year, the social functions it has held etc. The second part will deal with our participation in the Committee, raise some of the problems involved in this work, and outline some possible solutions.

MEMBERSHIP : F.P.C.C. has a total membership of 495 - and a contact list of 430. The membership is distributed as follows :

<u>Town</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Paid Up</u>	<u>In Arrears</u>
Toronto	150	104	46
Vancouver	93	72	21
Rest of Can. & U.S.	252	122	130

Contacts: These are people who have expressed an interest either in our literature or in the Committee itself, some of whom make a financial contribution. In Toronto we have 200 people in this category - only x 100 of those are people whom we have some information about or had contact with. This is one area where a lot of work has to be done. The other 230 are scattered throughout the rest of Canada and the USA. Briefly FPCC has contact with approximately 1,000 people in varying degrees of interest and sympathy with the Committee. Not only has the Committee sustained and increased its membership on file but financial support has increased considerably.

Publications: It is clear from the publications put out in the last year that the Committee has exceeded the bounds set for it by to some extent the nature of the Committee itself, and by the forces it has at its disposal.

Winter Bulletin	1500 Copies	"Our Line is the Line,,	1500 Copies
Summer Bulletin	2500 "	"Cuba's Road to Peace "	1000 "
"Cuba Confronts the Future"	3500 "	"Vive Cuba "	1000 "
"Letter From Havana "	1000 "	"The Real Cuba "	6000 "
"26th July Speech	1500		

In Preparation - Student Pamphlet.

It has been an ambitious year for publications and has meant a considerable amount of work for comrades in this field alone.

Banquet : Last year's FPCC banquet was our most successful so far. It realized a profit of \$758 and had an attendance of 225 people.

Cox Tour: The banquet saw the start of Cedric Cox's tour across Canada and parts of the U.S.A. Our general appreciation of this tour was that it was not one of our most successful ventures, but it is difficult to estimate the value of such a tour and it was a worthwhile attempt to broaden the scope of the Committee and to utilize a person like Cox.

Public Meetings: In this period of ten months we have had three public meetings apart from the Annual General Meeting.

Other Activities: Our other activities during the year were as follows :-
Film "Cuba Si" which attracted 200 people. Garden Party held this summer was a very successful affair where members met some of the students before they left for the Tour.
Coffee House Night part of a fund-raising drive to send students to Cuba - also very successful.

Hurricane Relief: F.P.C.C. raised \$2545 through its members and contacts - not a large sum but the response was good.

Student Tour: ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ The first thing you have to say about the Tour is that it has brought enormous prestige to the Committee, and we hope to capitalize on this in the next period - particularly on Campus (Outline details)

Finances: The finances of the Committee are sound - our income which includes Tour Fees, for the period of ten months is in the region of \$6,000. Our literature sales in this period have amounted to \$752 which is down on last year when we had the Scott pamphlet etc. However we have a large outlay in the Vancouver exhibition and by the end of the financial year we shall have increased this figure considerably. Student Pamphlet Fund which was launched two weeks ago has already realized \$653.

Sum - Up: On the whole it has been an impressive year's work. It has been a year when we have tried to reach out - through the Cox Tour - the Student Tour etc to broaden our work and to expand our influence. The immediate gains in terms of recruits to the party are not what we might hope and expect and we have to do more - but this is not the only way we measure the value of the Committee - it is a political job for our movement - and not just in Canada but in Cuba.

Negative Aspects: The shortcomings in our work stem basically from the lack of a collective leadership in the Committee. Comrades have operated as individuals in this work without having an over-all appreciation of the situation in the Committee - what projects we should be engaged in - what forces we have to carry out these projects. Basically it has been a one-man committee in terms of responsibility. The weekly "administration work" night is an improvement over last year - most of the routine work of FPCC is dealt with in this way. Following a discussion on the E.C. with comrades in FPCC regarding the problems in the Committee - how best to realize the political capital invested in the Committee the following decisions were made:

- 1) To set up a FPCC caucus which will meet once a month to discuss not only the work on hand in the Committee but its distribution.
- 2) To open a FPCC office which is needed not only from the ~~point~~ standpoint of a work-centre where work can be carried out systematically, but to establish the Committee as a serious organization.

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Moved by Anderson that a letter to the Tor. and Distr. Labor Council dated Sept. 14th and signed by Ross Dowson be filed. (M/C)

Attendance Absented with reason - Brown, Bannon, Jones, George, Edwards
Late with reason - Knight

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Moved by Scott that the application for membership for ~~H. K.~~ K. be denied. (M/C)

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M/C that the speaker be Robinson.

M/C that the Chairman be Cotton.

M/C that the external for Oct. 9th be on the condition of Minorities in Toronto.

M/C that this external be organized as a panel with outside speakers.

Referrals to the Ex. for future externals as follows:-

by Paul on the new Trotsky reader.

by Knight on Quebec- with speakers from ~~Quebec~~ ^{Quebec}.

by Massen - the situation in India.

by Bill on the current status of the Soviet-Sino dispute.

Future Internals Moved by Irons that the internal for Sept 23rd be on the 'Role of the Bolshevik Youth Movement'. (M/C).

M/C that the speaker be Sands.

Treasurer's Report - International Fund Crandall reported that only \$148 of the \$299 pledged had been received.

Internal by Scott on the Objective Conditions and Party Perspectives.

Drives and Subscriptions Moved by Scott that the goal be 150 (M/C)

Moved by Scott that the drive be held during the next

four weeks (M/C).

N.D.P. Pine reported that North York was being re-activated -and regular monthly meetings to be held.

Hunter reported on the Riverdale Ex. meeting. She was made organizer of the membership drive. It was reported that Renwick had proposed NDP candidates for Alderman and Board of Control. It was decided that such candidates be given indirect endorsement under the 'riding' label.

Youth: Kent reported that ~~BYXX MXXXX~~ may become active in the youth. It was reported by Irons that the Toronto Youth Local conference will be held on Sunday, Sept. 20th.

Press : Scott reported on the official termination of the 'tour' at the G.M. plant in Oshawa over the week-end.

Trade Union/PAC: Brunswick reported on planned demonstration at Queen's Park for Sept. 23rd at 7a.m. by the I.T.U., and the planned sit-in at all the strike papers for Oct 7th. Kent reported on the demonstration in front of City Hall by the I.T.U. 1500 members forced Council to come down, but Dennison was the only one to identify with the I.T.U. in any way. Kent recommended that Cotton and Bannon contact Mel Johnson, to see how we can mobilize support.

New business: Moved by Kent that Sands be gift co-ordinator in connection with celebration for comrade Jones. (M/C).

Moved by the Ex. that McGuire be appointed librarian to replace Kendall (M/C).

Martin recommended to the Ex. that consideration be given to the topic "How to conduct a meeting", which could be held in conjunction with any projected public speaking classes.

Moved/Carried that the paper be ~~XXXXXX~~ ^{Sold} at the next Labour-Council meeting. Sands and Kent volunteered.

Calendar Read

Meeting adjourned at 11 P.M.

Minutes of Toronto (L.S.A.) Branch Meeting, Sept. 23/64

Chairman: Connolly

Secretary: Martin

Sgt./Arms: Paul

Minutes: Moved by Bill that the minutes for Sept. 16th be read at the next Branch meeting. (M/C).

Correspondence: Moved by Brown that a letter to Sands from D.P. be filed. (M/C).

Attendance: Absented with reason - Mack, Hunter, Pine and George.

Membership Scott extended welcome to N.H. as a new comrade on

& Contacts: behalf of the Branch.

Sands reported on behalf of Robinson regarding a contact with extensive knowledge and background relating to China. Jones reported on C., and indicated comrades should talk to him more frequently, and not to leave this matter up to the Spanish comrades.

Kent reported that he had had discussions with four members of the World Socialist Party of the U.S. and who had been present at the I.T.U. demonstration.

Bill reported that the Branch members should seek contacts with members of the "Committee for Democratic Action".

Moved by Bill as amended by Cotton that the Ex. consider a proposal to giving one week's notice of motion before a Comrade is dropped from Branch membership, and that a full report supporting such action be made on these occasions (M/C)

Educationals: Past external report on Knight's speech given by Cotton who remarked on its excellence, and on the good attendance.

Past internal report on Scott's speech given by Knight.

Future Externals: Scott reported that the Ex. had advanced the date for the topic "The American Election" to Sept. 25th, and moved concurrence. (M/C).

Kent moved that a representative from SNCC be the speaker for Oct 2nd., replacing the spot left vacant caused by advancing the date. (M/C).

M/C that Scott be chairman.

Kent moved that the Ex. be empowered to act on the selection of an I.T.U. speaker and a suitable date for an early external (M/C).

Kent moved that M.L. be approached by the Ex. to have him speak at a future external (M/C).

Jones reported that there was a need for an external on the subject of "Automation".

Future Internals: Scott moved, on behalf of the Ex., that a talk be given based on the article entitled, "The organizational Character of the S.W.P. (M/C).

M/C that Connolly be speaker.

Class: Notice was given of future calasses.

Weekly Internal given by Sands who spoke on the "Relationship of a Socialist Youth Group to the Bolshevik Party".

Sub.,. Drive: Scott reported a total of 20 points to date. Comment was made on the problem of early darkness, and McGuire reported her team to start at 6.30. Kent suggested that apartments would be suitable for after-dark canvassing. Sands reported that the youth local had passed a motion excusing Hunter and Brunswick from the sub. drive, and moved that the Branch concur. (M/C).

International Fund Drive: Crandall reported that \$288 had been collected of the \$309 pledged, This left an outstanding amount of \$21. The high contribution was \$35, while the average contribution was approximately \$10.

Branch Minutes of Sept. 23rd Cont'd

Kent moved, as amended by Cotton, that this report be adopted as a final report and that all monies now be turned over to the National Secretary for onward transmission. (M/C).

N.D.P. - Labossiere reported on developments in North York. A motion had been adopted granting complete freedom for all discussion. Bill Davidson had been put forward as a Candidate federally.

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Press: It was reported that 25 copies were ~~distributed~~ at the last Labour Council meeting.

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Kendall reported on the Voice of Women, and Labossiere commented on the possibility of forming a group in Richmond Hill.

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Calendar: Scott read the listings for the coming week.

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Minutes of Toronto (L.S.A.) Branch Meeting, Oct. 7/64

Chairman: Wilfe

Secretary: Martin

Sgt/Arms: Cotton

Minutes: M/C that the minutes for Sept. 30th be adopted as read.

Correspondence: M/C that a letter dated Oct. 5th from P. Scott to the Toronto Youth Local be filed.

Attendance: Absented with reason - Brunswick, Smith, Hunter, Knight, and Bill. Late with reason - Edwards.

Membership & Contacts: Scott reported. Kent requested a report be submitted regarding A.G.

M/C that Morgan be dropped from the membership role. Kent moved adoption of Scott's report wherein it was recommended that the recommendation of bringing down one week's notice for dropping a member from the role be not accepted. (M/C).

Educationals: Past external report on SNCC talk given by Pine. Past internal report on Connolly's speech given by Massen. Scott reported that no Ex. decision had, as yet, been made regarding the proposed public speaking class.

Future Externals: Cotton read the line-up as appearing in the leaflet notice. Discussion regarding the I.T.U. external resulted in a recommendation for free and open discussion by interested comrades.

Future Internals: Brown recommended topic of "A Workers and Farmers Government". Kent moved referral. (M/C).

Class: ~~WAKKAK~~ Brown moved that the class on the "proletarian party" be delayed two weeks to Oct. 26th. (M/C).

Treasurer's Report: Sands reported on the financial situation for Aug/Sept indicating a cash balance of \$211.97, which represented a cash imbalance of ~~XXXXX~~ \$19.00. Kent moved adoption of the report. (M/C).

Weekly Internal: Given by McGuire on the "Ceylonese Situation".

Sub. Drive: Scott gave a progress report, and moved the extension of the drive to end on Oct. 17th. (M/C).

Kent recommended that the youth paper be carried during the drive.

Election Fund Drive: Cotton reported that a good beginning had been made with a total of \$380 already pledged by comrades

Toronto Youth Local: Smith gave a report regarding plans for the NDY conference. It had been decided to form an open and continuing left-wing caucus, and also to prepare and distribute three leaflets at the convention. Crandall reported on his visit to Ottawa.

Press: Report given by Kent with additional comments and discussion by Connolly, Massen, Brown, Jones and White.

Social: Report given by Connolly.

Anti-War: Sands reported that she would act as co-ordinator for the time being, but would with-hold a complete report and recommendations until later.

Trade-Union/PAC: Edwards presented a report. Kent moved adoption (M/C)

FPCC: Mack reported indicating that Massen and Martin had been opted on to the Ex.fes active work. Kent moved adoption (M/C)

New Business: Comrades Paul and Massen reported on activities around the celebration of the 15th anniversary of the Chinese revolution.

Scott recommended the publication of a special bulletin aimed at contacts. Kent moved adoption (M/C).

Calendar: Scott read listings for the coming week.

Meeting adjourned at 11.08 p.m.

Minutes of Toronto (L.S.A.) Branch Meeting, Oct. 14/64

Chairman: Connolly

Secretary: Martin

Sgt/Arms: Paul

Minutes: M/C that the minutes for Oct. 7th be adopted as read.

Attendance: Absented with reason - White, Leblanc, Omatsu, Green, Labossiere, Crandall, O'Connor and Massen.

Membership & Contacts: M/C that a request for temporary leave of absence from meetings for George be referred to the Ex.

- Scott gave a progress report on G.
- Kent reported on D., and Scott indicated he may apply for membership in about a month's time.
- M/C that a request by Kent concerning greater activity on the part of the Branch in contact work be referred to the Ex.
- Connolly and McGuire presented progress reports.
- Brown reported on C.

Educationals: Past external report on J.B.S I.T.U. speech given by Bill, Brown and Scott.

Past internal report on McGuire's speech given by Scott.

Future Externals: Report given by Cotton.

M/C that the External for Oct. 23rd be on "The British Election".

M/C that Cotton be Speaker.

M/C that Sands be chairman.

- M/C that the chairman for the Nov. 6th External on the "SINO-Soviet Dispute" be Crandall rather than Sands.

- M/C that the External for Nov. 13th be on the "U.S. Elections".

M/C that Sands be speaker.

M/C that Scott be chairman.

Future Internals: Report given by Cotton.

M/C that the Internal for Oct. 21st be on "Principles and Tactics of Bolshevik Parliamentarianism".

M/C that Paul be speaker.

- M/C that the Internal for Oct. 28th be on a "Worker's and Farmer's Government".

M/C that Brown be speaker.

- M/C that the Internal for Nov. 4th be on the topic, "What Is Our Press".

M/C that Cotton be speaker.

Class: Report given by Cotton.

M/C that a class on "An Introduction to the Logic of Marxism" be held.

M/C that an Ex. nomination for speaker be brought down in one week's time.

Election Fund Drive: Scott moved that the financial report be given prior to Dues and Pledges. (M/C).

- Cotton gave a progress report.

Weekly Internal: Given by Dunn on sectarianism in the Marxist movement.

Sub. Drive: Scott gave a progress report indicating that approx. 55% of the goal had been reached.

N.D.P.: Smith gave a report and discussion was carried by Brunswick, Knight.

Scott reported on activities in the Beaches riding.

Toronto Youth Local: Report given by Sands.

Press: Scott reported on proposed Dunneville distribution.

Social: Connolly reported on past Social indicating approx. attendance of 30 including 6 contacts.

Anti-War: Bill gave a report on TCND meeting.

- Kent moved that Scott's report on activities in the

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Voice of Women be referred back to the Ex. for further consideration. (M/C)

- Kent moved that Comrades in VOW be permitted to attend next Wednesday's ^{VOW} meeting. (M/C).

Trade-Union/PAC: Edwards gave a report.

Scott reported on the I.T.U.U. Massey Hall meeting.

Paul moved that the paper be sold at the next Labour Council meeting. (M/C).

FPCC: Mack and Cotton gave reports. Paul commented re Banquet.

Kent moved that FPCC be given priority of attendance over NDP attendance for Comrades active in FPCC. (M/C).

New Business: Paul moved that the matter of how to handle literature from outside organizations be referred to the PC (M/C).

Kent moved that we organize to our best interests regarding the seating of M White at the NDP Metro-Council meeting. (M/C).

Calendar: Scott read listings for the coming week.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

Chairman: BrunswickSecretary: BrownSgt./Arms: KnightMinutes: noneCorrespondence: noneAttendance: Absented with reason - Crandall, O'Connor, Smith, Robinson, CottonMembership & Contacts: m/c Hunter be made a member-at-largeEducationals: Past: Sands commented that Cotton's external on "British Labour" should have included a commentary on the past term in office to the Labour Gov't.

Brown felt that Paul's internal dealt too much with Ceylon, a topic covered in a recent internal;

The class was postponed, since only 5 persons were present; m/c it be held on Nov. 9.

Future: Externals - as lined up

Internals - m/c Nov. 11 internal be "The Role of Intellectuals in the Revolutionary Movement". Speaker - Mack.

Class - m/c the speaker for the "Logic of Marxism" classes be Bannon, to be assisted by Crandall

m/c classes on speaking be postponed until after the "Logic" classes.

Drives: report by Scott on sub. drive; 108 subs were gotten, 72% of the goal. Discussion, centered around the low degree of participation. 4 prizes were awarded.NDP: Smith is attempting to get the endorsement of his NDP-NDY clubs to run for Board of Education.

McGuire is sec. of the Spadina club.

Reports on High Park and York North meetings.

Youth: Hunter has been granted a leave of absence from the youth m/c pledges to LSA Municipal Fund Drive given by persons who are members of both the youth and league be credited to the youth local.

YSF has requested Maheu to address a youth meeting while he is in Toronto.

YSF selling tickets to the Dylan concert

Cuba meetings were held on both Toronto campuses.

Scott reported on joint exec. mtg. held to discuss criteria for recruitment to youth and/or league. -

1. While age is a factor, it is a flexible one
2. Area of activity is the crucial factor in determining whether or not the contact is a youth or league contact.
3. Seriousness; joining the LSA is a more serious commitment than joining the YS
4. When youth reach a certain level of understanding and seriousness they will desire to join, and should be accepted by, the LSA

2.

Press: 32 copies sold at the ITU meetingSocial: report on the planned socials for Dec. 5 and 31.

m/c the social com. be authorized to take the necessary measures for the New Year's Social

Anti-War: report by SandsTrade Union: Edwards reported the caucus last Sat. was a success. About 15 attended.

At the ITU meeting, the right wing replaced the union's negotiating committee. Discussion of the significance of the move.

FPCC: banquet sales are excellent reported MackNew Business: m/c Scott be municipal election director, Cotton to assist her.

referred to exec: action on moves recently against civil rights in Toronto

referred to exec: possibility of holding a forum on the F.I.

Calendar: readAdjourned: 10.35 p.m.

Minutes of Toronto (L.S.A.) Branch Meeting, Nov. 4th, 1964.

Chairman: Wilfe

Secretary: Martin

Sgt/Arms: Cotton

Minutes: M/C that the minutes for Oct. 21st be adopted as read.

M/C that the minutes for Oct. 28th be adopted as corrected.

Attendance: Scott moved that one person be struck off to watch ~~KNA~~ a C.B.C.-T.V. programme and that the weekly educational be postponed to the end of the meeting. (M/C).

M/C that Massen be struck off to watch the C.B.C programme.

Scott moved that J.W. be seated. (M/C).

Kent extended a welcome to A.G. on behalf of the Branch.

Absented with reason - Brunswick, Smith, Crandall, Pine, Alonso, Black, Blanco, George, Lorca, Omatsu, Powell, Pryce, White.

Membership & Contacts: Scott reported.

M/C that the organizer have a discussion with D.G. for the purpose of ascertaining whether he ~~may~~ should be asked to become a member by the organizer.

Kent reported on D.C, and also on D.P.

Educationals: Past external report on Crandall's speech given by Connolly

Past internal report given on Brown's speech by Paul.

Future Externals: Cotton reported on the present line-up.

Kent moved that the Ex. be empowered to come out with a prospectus for the next Forum. (M/C).

M/C that Scott be Chairman for the Parti Pris External.

M/C that Leblanc be asked to preside over the literature table at the Parti Pris external.

Scott reported that Malcolm-X could not be secured as a speaker until January, and that the Ex. had decided not to ask Marc Lane to be a speaker chiefly because of the cost involved as well as other technical reasons. Concurrence in the report moved and carried.

Future Internals: Cotton reported on line-up for two weeks ahead.

Class: Scott reported on cancellation of last class because of poor attendance but that it will be held on Nov. 9th.

Sigmen moved that he be allowed to invite a friend for the "~~last~~ ^{CAPITAL} class (M/C).

Election Fund Drive: Cotton reported that to date we appear to be short of the projected goal.

Treasurer's Report: Kendall reported.

N.D.P.: Sands reported and indicated that Smith had ^{EDUCATION} been endorsed by the riding as candidate for Board of ~~Control~~. Discussion on what was meant by endorsement followed and a request was made that Comrades involved seek a clarification.

Tor. Youth Local: Report presented by Sands.

Press: Kent moved that the Labour-Council meeting be distributed free (M/C) Sands and Paul volunteered for the distribution.

Anti-War: Sands reported on the V. of W.

Trade/Union/PAC: Edwards presented a report and moved it be carried (M/C)

FPCC: Mack reported regarding the Banquet. Discussion was carried by Sands, Kent and Paul. Brown reported on Campus activity.

New Business: Sands and Edwards reported on the James Farmer meeting.

Kent moved that the internal be postponed until next week and all later internals as a result be delayed one week. (M/C).

Calendar: Scott read listings for the coming week.

Meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

JB

Ed. in Chair. called to order 8.20 11 present all others accounted for except two.

Minutes of Oct. 8th and 22nd received as ^{interim report} ~~information~~ Oct. 29th not available.

Corresp.: Nat. Report on Int. Fund drive: \$535 total, received as infor.
Report on successful banquet in Toronto for Cuban Ambassador. Report from phil on letter from Cuba - available for comrades. Letter from Andy A. re her talk to V.O.W. meeting in Cranbrook about Cuba.

Memb. & Contacts: Milt reported on discussion he and Ken had with contact made at Forum.

NDP Report: North Vanc. Constituency has prepared and endorsed a detailed principled statement re LSA and kindred organizations and continued support for expelled persons. R and R given friendly receptions by members when they made statement of their experience with Exec. Inquiry and their present position and attitude. Meeting endorsed and approved candidacy of Reg Bullock for Mayor. Bitter stalinist dissenter present.
Pt. Grey dinner for Colin Cameron, m.p. reported.

Motion: That comrades clearly identified with LSA should be present. (carried)

Internal Ed. "How to Begin" - Sheila.

Future internals: Pete tied up with night school. Milt has agreed to take his topic: "Left wing Comm."

North Shore elections: E.T reports. leaflet published; civic ordinance ties up posters in city; mobilization for leaflet distribution Saturday, four comrades going out tomorrow during day. We have offered to collaborate with other labour candidates in distribution of literature. Free offer of LeBourdais to do campaign work, man the polls in his area and his personal donation of money to election. Eight dollar donation to the campaign fund from Lonsdale CCF Club. Reg reported on local developments in detail and on all candidates meeting he attended. Daily press did not give us much coverage on this.

F.P.F.C.C.: Phil reported on joint arrangements with Can. Cuba C'ttee for Cruz reception and Belfonte's role at UBC where the ambassador is also scheduled to speak. NEED of giving prior thought as to who should be a candidate for possible invitation to send one to Cuba for the January 2nd celebrations.

Motion: That Exec. give immediate consideration to this matter. (C)

Prog. Workers: Ernie reported on Exec. C'ttee discussion and action of executive in modifying application of the line: That legal approach be deferred, that a personal letter had been sent requesting an apology and retraction from each of the C.C. members and a retraction in their press. This, without prejudice to any required further action along the line originally suggested and agreed.

Motion: To endorse action of Exec. (C)

Al reported on pitiful meeting staged by the PWL for McGarvie - that Whitney and co., what's left of them were present.

Phil reported that PWL youth have resigned from Burnaby NDY and that they apparently plan to float a youth organization and are pulling ~~th~~ what forces they have out of the NDY and NDP. LeBourdais has relinquished his office in the NDP on North Shore but as yet has said nothing about withdrawing from party.

Vanguard: Recommend that we hold up sales of current issue until after N.V. election by reason of difficulties posed by misleading caption. (Agreed)

Forum C'ttee Report: Allocation of tasks: Al reporter and responsible for contacting speakers; Gordy: Records; Ken: stencils and drafting; Larry and Sheila: Mailing; Larry: Refreshments. There are seven party members on speakers list. It was recommended that Forums be advertised or publicized in future as: "Vanguard Forum."

Motion: To approve the proposed change.

Motion: Table to next meeting for further consideration. (C)

Chairman for next forum: Larry.

Future forums: Nov. 15th American Elections (Seattle speaker)
 Nov. 22: Krushchev Ouster; UBC Professor, Phil Chair.
 Nov. 29: Where is Can. Unionism Going? McGrath, Reg, Lil Grate; Angus McPhee, Breiten, Bill White suggested.
 Chairman: Jean. Ruth or Reg to Chair Nov. 15th meet.
 Dec. 5th: De Gaulle and the Break up of Nato, suggested.

Other outside speakers being contacted on their special topics.

Motion: Report received and approved. (C)

Report of last forum: Attendance 25, coll: 9.25 - commented on by Milt, Al.

Britannia Calvacade (Mine Mill) E.T. Reported. C.P. directed affair. We missed opportunity, should have utilized old copies of Vanguard for distr. Speeches were terrible - perspective only of capitulation. 50 YSF, 13 Summer reports, 49 "real Cuba" sold. Adjourn 10.55 p.m.

Minutes of Toronto (L.S.A.) Branch Meeting, November 29, 1964.

Chairman: Massen

Secretary: Kendall

Sgt/Arms:

Minutes: M/C that the minutes for Nov. 18th be adopted as read

Attendance: Absented with reason - Labossiere, Pine, Edwards, Mack, ALONSO, BLACK, BLANCO,
M/C Crandall be excused HUNTER, JONES, ~~LABOSSIERE~~, LORCA, MARTIN, OMATSA,
POWELL, PRYDE, WHITE.

Membership and Contacts: Dick P. was recruited to the Branch

M/C - Diane P. be ~~approached~~ ^{approached} for the Branch membership

M/C - Dennis C. be ~~approached~~ ^{approached} for the Branch membership

M/C - Bob M. be asked by Brown and Crandall to come to the Branch

Educationals: External Nov. 20 by Robinson was reported by: Brunswick, Bill, Scott, Brown
all commented that the meeting was too long.

External Nov. 27 by Edwards - Scott and Kent reported.

Future Educationals: - Cotton reported present line-up

Educational Internal Past Report - Massen reported on Mack's educational

Future Internals - Cotton reported the line-up.

Class: M/C - French Canada be given Jan 3 and Jan. 10

M/C - Public Speaking class to follow French Canada to be 4 or 5 classes

M/C - following Public Speaking class a series of 6 classes be given on Logic
of Marxism by W. F. Ward.

Financial Drive:

M/C - Financial report to be given after treasurers report.
Cotton reported.

Election Drive:

M/C - Monday Capital class and Wednesday branch be postponed - Branch meeting next
Sunday and Capital class when appropriate.

Scott reported on speeches given and activities performed.

Kent reported on the following:

- Youth be diverted to help in the Branch e.g. distribution.
- The picket at the TDL Council was very effective, that we carried.
- NDP in High Park was good (meeting)
- An Italian meeting where we distributed with leaflets
- a radio program will take place
- a CP meeting which we covered.

N.D.P.: Smith reported. Decision made in the NDY with regards to canvassing for money be
minimal.

Another decision that there be no double distribution.

Brown reported on the enthusiasm and also 1/3 ward received distribution.

Toronto Youth Local: Brown reported - will distribute the campus with leaflets (our)
Scott reported that York University will have her with 2 other women
candidates.

Social: Connolly reported.

M/C: - That Massen be an Mcer.

Trade-Union/PAC: Green reported.

FPCC: Knight reported on student committee. No compromise was taken. A number of SC Mers
sided with us. We are awaiting a decision from Cuba re Tour.

- Scott reported on open house

- Massen reported.

M/C - Membership meeting of FPCC be attended by all our comrades.

M/C - slate for FPCC executive be as follows: Martin, Massen, Mack, Pine, Scott, Knight

New Business: Cotton reported

Calender: Scott read for next week

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 11:45pm

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Minutes of Toronto (L.S.A.) Branch Meeting, December

Chairman: Sands

- Secretary: Kendall

Sgt./Arms: Cotton

Minutes as read be of information only.

Attendance: Absent with reason: Edwards, Pryce, Knight, Connelly, Alonso, Black, Blanco, Crandall, Hunter, Jones, Lorca, Omatsu,

Educationals: Past external: Brunswick and Sands reported on Crandall's speech on Congo.

Internal Past: Scott and Paul reported on Cotton's educational

Future Educations: Cotton reported on line-up.

M/C: "Salt of the Earth" film to be shown by us.

M/C: December 25 and January 1st Forums to be cancelled

Future Internals: Cotton reported

Class: Cotton reported

Municipal Election Drive: Cotton reported

Financial Report: Kendall reported.

M/C - Financial report for Month of November be adopted.

Weekly Internal: M/C that the internal not be held.

M/C that distribution of the election leaflet be carried out upon adjournment of the meeting.

Drives: An election activity report was given by Kent. He commented on the good coverage received on a T.V. program, as well as on fairly good newspaper coverage. He felt our campaign was effective - Scott appealed for Comrades to act as scrutineers on election night.

N.D.P.: White gave a report and mentioned the debate within the N.D.P. of pro- and con of running on the label.

-McGuire reported on the good progress in Smith's campaign.

Toronto Youth Local: Report given by Sands. Sands and Brown spoke re exposure of NDY Comrades to outside League work.

-Brown gave a report on the successful Campus soap-box debate on the Congo.

Social: Various Comrades reported on the great success of the last Social.

M/C that the New Year's eve social not be held at the CO/OP Hall should they insist on corkage charges.

Anti-War: Brief report by Scott on the V. of Women.

Trade-Union/PAC: Scott reported.

FPCC: Mack reported. Discussion took place on the question of the apparent narrowing of the Executive base. It was felt this situation must be corrected and that the caucus come to meetings with proper reports and recommendations for action.

New Business: LaBossierie reported on the formation of the proposed toronto-Quebec group.

-M/C that the report be referred to the Executive.

-M/C that the next and future Branch meetings be switched back to Wednesdays beginning Dec. 9th.

Calendar: Scott read listings for the coming week up to Wednesday.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Minutes of Toronto (L.S.A.) Branch Meeting, December 9, 1964

Chairman: Pine

Secretary: Martin

Sgt/Arms: Kendall

Minutes: M/C that the Minutes for Nov. 29th. be adopted as corrected.

M/C that the Minutes for Dec. 6th. be adopted as read.

Attendance: M/C that J.D. be seated.

Absented with reason - Alonso, Bannon, Black, Cameron, Cotton, Crandall, Green, Hunter, Labossiere, Omatsu, Powell, Pryce, and Smith.

Membership & Contacts: Scott reported re D.C. that he felt he was as yet not sufficiently informed to become a member at this time. Brown reported re B.M. that they had had a good discussion but ~~xxxxx~~ that he was not yet prepared to become fully committed. Kent felt that he was a very serious person.

Future Externals: Scott reported on the line-up, and indicated difficulties in getting "Salt of the Earth" but was trying to get "On The Beach" for a future External. Scott reported that no Externals would be held on Dec. 25th Jan. 1st.

M/C that the film showing be held on Jan 8th.

Future Internals: Scott reported on the present line-up.

Weekly Internal: Brown gave a talk on Quebec.

Election Drive: Scott reported. Discussion was carried by Brown, Edwards, Kent, Bill and Sands.

Toronto Youth Local: Reports made by Sands and Brunswick.

Social: McGuire reported that the New Year's social was on again.

M/C that Cameron's offer for a social on Dec. 26th not be accepted.

Anti-War: Scott reported. M/C that the Branch Ex. and Branch members of TCND get together and formulate a policy.

Trade/Union-PAC: Edwards reported. M/C that an evaluation of the Trade Union Alliance be held for the next meeting. Paul reported on developments in his union.

FPCC: Mack reported.

New Business: M/C that the Education^{al} for Dec. 18th be a review of the old year and projections for the new.

M/C that Kent be the speaker.

M/C that ~~SANDS~~ Sands or Bannon be Chairman.

M/C that Edward's request for assistance be referred to the Ex.

Calendar: Scott read the listings for the week.

Adjournment at 10:50 p.m.

Secretary McGuire Chairman Smith Sgt. at arms Paul

Moved and carried we dispense with ^{reading of} minutes until next meeting.

Absent with reason: Crandall, Cotton, Mack, Edwards, MacGlashan
Bill, Brunswick, ~~Brown~~, White, LeBlanc. Late Martin. *BROWN*

Membership & contacts.

Moved and carried unanimously that Morgan be re-accepted into the branch.

Educationals:

past ext.: Connolly reported it was a well rounded well attended forum. Discussion on our general attitude toward forums. General feeling that comrades must take a more serious approach towards forums, both coming themselves and bringing contacts, and being on time.

past int.: comrades discussed ~~2~~ Brown's ed. on the Quebec doc. by Brock.

Fut. Ext. line-up: this week 1964 & persp. 1965, sp. Kent, ch. Bannon
Jan. 8: film On the Beach

Fut. Int. line-up/ Professionalism vs. Ametueurism-Knight
moved and carried following ed. be Jones on Rosa
Luxemburg pamphlet.

Class: Moved and carried Kent be teacher for public speaking class.

Educational: Masson on Trade Unions in Workers States.

NDP. Reported that there is a small movement of feeling against the present leadership being expressed in Broadview and Davenport clubs. Report on T.C. Douglas dinner.

YOUTH. Reported meetings postponed for next 2 wks. Frank G. has expressed unwillingness to join. A house has been obtained. address 32 Cecil St. Available Feb. 1.
Report on planned ~~Viet Nam~~ Viet Nam demo this coming Sat.

SOCIAL. Projected idea of big dance in Carpenters hall referred to soc. committee.

ANTI-WAR. Masson reported on TCND annual meeting. Only 21 in attendance.

Sands reported on Viet Nam demo to be held this Sat. Some confusion. First planned for U.S. consul by CUCND, then moved to Museum and closed demonstration, sign restriction. General feeling we could not participate on this basis. Will try to get it moved to consul and open to all signs. Peace Congress is apparently demonstrating at the consul.

Trade Union and PAC : Criticism expressed of the way reports are given. Thought they should be less 'informational' and more along the lines of giving direction to our work.

New bus: Kendall excused for next meeting; Martin for next 2.

G&W: Al H. in Britain got married. Moved we take collection and send him gift of money.

Calendar.

Meeting adjourned 11 p.m.

Minutes LSA Branch meeting Dec. 23, 1964

Chairman Laboissiere Sec. McGuire Sgt. at arms Robinson

Correspondence: letter from G.M. peace center referred to anti-war gift to library of two books from Dunn

Attendance: absent with reason, Kendall, Martin, Bammon and Smith

Membership and contacts: Scott reported on F.G.'s reluctance to join LSA. Report adopted. D.P. will consider matter of membership in the spring.

Educationals

Past ext: Kent on 1964, persp. 65: Connolly reported

Past int: Masson on trade unions in workers states. Kent said it was one of the best we have had. Well researched.

future ext: On the Beach film

~~future ext: On the Beach film~~ referred to exec: role of police and Labors Giant Step

future int: Jones on Rosa Luxemburg pamphlet. M/C we have int. on the broad history of the Labor Party. to be given by Mack.

Class: M/C Quebec class be postponed one week.

Dues & Pledges

NDP: Connolly reported in Smith's absence that a fraction meeting will be held in the New Year.

Sands reported on ~~CIND~~ Newsletter.

Youth: Next YS meeting Jan. 3

Press: Paper will be off tomorrow. Mailing Sat. or Sun.

Social: Morgan nominated MC for New Years Eve social. elected.

Anti-war: Moffat letter. M/C we reply to letter in an educational manner. Report on Viet Nam demo. Referred by Crandall we try for future negotiations with peace groups.

Notice of motion for discussion on V.O.W. document next week.

M/C document be read before the discussion

Discussion on Pat Mitchell's suspension from VOW. ~~Pat~~ wrote letter requesting copy of constitution. Move to censure ~~Pat~~ since defeated by VOW.

Laboissiere reported on her VOW club.

Report on VOW baby tooth campaign. We will support it.

We will not support anti-war toy campaign but put campaign to good educational use.

Trade Union and P.C: Scott reported on exec. motion to dissolve TU. (TUA) since the exec. feels it has no perspective. Suggested that more serious t.u. contacts be invited to LSA caucus.

Edwards gave a short minority report: feels TUA should be continued as it provides an informal discussion arena for militants and its purpose is educational.

Reports tabled for further discussion.

Edwards reported on situation in his plant re. seniority and reclassification.

FPCC: Mack reported they are trying to broaden FPCC exec.

New business/ Motion of exec. carried to hold a ~~business~~ meeting at 6 p.m. starting one week early.

French Caucus series referred to exec.

Sands asked for volunteers for an eve to relieve ~~French~~ strikers ~~in the~~ ~~area~~ for people to move into North center.

> Internal: Knight on the Need for Professionalism in our Movement.

Minutes Toronto LSA Branch Meeting Dec. 30, 1964
A. Brown Sec. McQuinn Sgt at Arms Ruc.

Minutes: Adopted as read.

Attendance: Absent with reason: Martin, Mack, Bannon, Dunn, Kendall

Membership and contacts: Contact drive will begin for the winter months along with sub renewal drive beginning Sat. each Sat. for one month. Try for renewal of 300 Toronto subs. Carried.

Educationals. Report on Knight's ed. on Professionalism.

Future ext: Cotton chairman for On the Beach film.

Future int. Mack unable to give one this week. Postponed until next week. carried.

Classes: M/C French Canada classes be held at 3 p.m. Sundays beginning Jan. 17.

Dues and pledges.

NDP: Fraction meeting to be held Wed. Jan. ^{6th} at 8 p.m. here.

Social: Discussion of N.Y. Eve. Feeling of the branch that it should not have been called for 8 o'clock.

Report on Xmas dinner 13 or 14 in attendance. Jones was complimented on dinner being well organized.

Anti-War. Sands read VOW document. Discussion on feminist character of VOW. On its shortcomings. Report adopted.

Trade Union and PAC. Discussion on Exec. recommendation to dissolve TUA. Edwards presented document on perspectives for TUA and gave reasons why he thought it should be continued. Lengthy discussion. Exec. motion defeated. Motion to adopt ~~document~~ ^{EDWARDS} document on perspectives for TUA. Carried. White abstained as he had only heard the document twice and felt he could not vote intelligently on that basis.

New business. M/C we drop educational this week.
Labor's Giant Step is in stock in quantity.

adjourned 10:45 p.m.

The experience of 3 TUA meetings have confirmed that there are a number of TU militants, who are prepared to participate. It is now necessary to define the immediate aims, purposes, limits and possibilities of such a body in order to ~~define~~ guide ourselves and the people we attract.

Its purpose is to provide an informal arena of discussion for militants. It also hopes to rally participants around general actions from time to time eg. working in an election, walking a picket line, etc. Most important, it must be a place where militants can obtain advice, exchange information or get aid from one another when problems arise.

Although possessing a formal title, Trade Union Alliance, this title is strictly for convenience sake and is not a public body. The Alliance is not a caucus of a disciplined manner, nor does it pose as a grandiose alternative. Most important we don't hope to pose ourselves as a substitute for the trade union leadership. Our purpose is to educate participants, including ourselves to a more sensitive understanding of problems through mutual discussion. We hope that the participants can eventually come to a complete understanding of our ideas and see the need to join the League. The so-called problem of sketching a long term program on agenda from meeting to meeting presents no problem. Within a month many things occur which can provide the basis for discussion, eg. strikes, meetings, book reviews, shortcomings in knowledge, or a review of trade union events. We should abandon the task of trying to attract husbands or wives of participants as this is really unnecessary and puts unneeded pressure on the participants. Immediately there is a need to revert to a more modest ambition and not let our enthusiasm get the best of us. Probably meetings will ebb and flow which we must learn to accept. There is an obvious need for a TUA and we must organize ourselves in order to utilize every possibility it offers us.

MINUTES, Montreal branch, May 26, 1964.

Meeting convened 8:30 pm

preliminary discussion led by Nelson, on nature of a Marxist-Leninist (Trotskyist) party, democratic centralism, and relation we should have to LSA and International.

m/c Nelson, that we formally constitute our group as a League, name to be taken for present time from newspaper, based on principles of Marxism-Leninism, having close fraternal relations with LSA and FI.

m/c that comrade Brack be assigned to draft constitutional bylaws embodying the concepts of democratic centralism endorsed in the preceding discussion, to be presented to next meeting.

Executive: m/c that for time being, there be instituted the executive positions of

Treasurer

Secretary (internal and external correspondence and minutes)

Organizer -- for the time being, one French and one (2) English.

Elections: Nelson and AJ elected Organizers.

Brock elected Secretary

B.S., E.S., Br. S., all nominated for position of treasurer. Election deferred to next meeting.

Finances: m/c that dues be instituted of ~~mx~~ \$0.50 per month (students and unemployed \$0.25.)

Paper: general discussion of both form and content.

general agreement that first issue should be produced within one month, in time to cover La Macaza demonstration on June 24th. Besides article giving our position on the war question, should also be article oriented toward RINers and militant separatists, for distribution to separatist demonstrations which will be taking place that day, and during the summer. m/c that editorial board meeting be incorporated into next branch meeting.

m/c that paper be entirely in French, tentative

masthead: L'Avant-Garde des Travailleurs

general agreement that we ~~approx~~ maintain friendly attitude of friendly collaboration with sympathetic and close-thinking groups such as PP.

Educationals: m/c that internal educational at next meeting be a review of the various groups, tendencies, groupuscules, etc. in the Québec left, including the union movement. This educational to be introduction to envisaged series on our orientation, and to be more of an informational character.

Speaker: AJ.

Documents: Nelson and Brock to write document on French-Canada, discussing the national question in the light of contemporary developments. Also, a document to be produced as soon as possible, on our orientation, tasks and perspectives.

m/c that all comrades who don't already have working knowledge of French, immediately embark on study and effort to acquire as large a measure as possible of fluency in the French language.

Cuba activity: report by E.S., and B.S. of May 20th
FLAP meeting, addressed by Chartrand. Mergler
proposes action such as boycott of American goods,
picketing of American tourists at border, etc.,
in event of Cuban invasion. We support action,
but disassociate selves from his specific recom-
mendations. When challenged as to who they repre-
sent, comrades reply: FPCC. Invited to FLAP
executive meeting, to discuss picket line poten-
tiality. Paré reveals laxity in pushing LA
solidarity congress this summer, even with North
American only participation.

Algeria: report by E.S. on attempts (unsuccessful) to
contact Algerian representatives visiting Montreal
on weekend. Good press coverage, despite reac-
tionary statements attributed to Algerians.
general agreement that AJ has valuable rôle
to play in AASQA, and that we will move to acti-
vate this committee in the near future.

Members and Contacts: Nelson moves to invite ER to next
meeting, motion adopted, with understanding
that we must be careful not to rush con acts
into membership, in view of lack of political
development of our own membership as it exists
at present.

m/c next meeting be same time and place June 2nd.

Montreal, May 27, 1964.

Dear Ross:

Enclosed please find copy of minutes of our historic first branch meeting here. On the whole, I think it went quite well. André J., of whom you have heard us speak, attended, and seems to have accepted our ideas organizationally and politically, and overcome some reservations which he had earlier expressed. He is quite a key person in the coming period, with good contact with the Parti Bris elements, etc.

I must say that our comrades' actions at the FLAP meeting took me by surprise. I was under the impression that we had agreed that there would not be constituted a formal Fair Play chapter here, at least for the time being. Bob H. had, of course, told me nothing of what transpired there, although we were together for an hour and a half before the meeting. Apparently, Mergler backed down from his agitational position, when he saw who were supporting him -- the comrades feel he ~~was~~ adopted a militant (if wrongly-oriented militant) position in the first place because he feels himself in the Cubans' disfavor -- he kept darting little nervous glances at the Consul while he spoke, as if for reassurance. When the CP hacks challenged them as to what organization they represented, Bob H. ~~blurted out~~ stated Fair Play, and Bob S blurted out that he was president of the Montreal section. It seems to me that given the small size of our forces, it might be more advantageous to concentrate on Algerian work --- this is also André's view. FLAP is really dead; at the executive meeting, attended by some of our comrades on Sunday, the FLAP people expressed themselves against any militant action. Mostly old ladies of 40 years' service in the CP. We caused quite a stir at the public meeting. Incidentally, Chatrand was about the only non-comrade to support our position, to the considerable embarrassment of FLAP.

I leave tonight for a trip to Winnipeg, and won't be back till Sunday, followed by four days off. So I hope to be able to tackle that document early next week.

Warmest regards,

Dick
Dick

(F.)

MINUTES, Montreal Branch, June 2nd, 1964.

Meeting convened 8pm.

election of B.S.L. as chairman. m/c that this position rotate monthly, with fresh election every 4 or 5 weeks.

Agenda: m/c Nelson, that the following agenda provide general format for future meetings;

- election of monthly chairman.
- minutes of previous meeting
- correspondence

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- membership and contacts
- national organizations
- committees: Cuba
Algeria

financial report

- educational
- peace movement
- publications; the paper
- trade union - PAC
- new business
- calendar
- adjournment.

Minutes of previous meeting: read and adopted.

Correspondence: none

Membership and Contacts: discussion of ER, decided she is not yet ready for membership, but Nelson authorized to ~~invite~~ invite her to meeting as soon as she feels herself ready to join. also, discussion of WJ (met at FLAP), PP elements among our contacts, and GC.

National Organizations: discussion of RIN annual national convention, held at Québec City last weekend. No comrade present. Comrades commented on significance of resolutions passed by delegates (calling for public ownership of all public utilities, including natural resources, hospitals, education, etc.), the leadership struggle and result, the fact that Bourgeault's affirmation publicly of his agnosticism (and his victory over the religion-baiting of his right-wing opponents) marks first time ever prominent public political figure in Québec has said such and succeeded. Also comments on future perspectives of RIN.

Committees: report by Nelson on student tour developments; Brock struck off to contact more French-Canadians for possible participation. Comment by Nelson on significance of fact that we were able to do in one weekend what MC and PSQ membership couldn't do, ~~wikx~~ despite their much greater contacts.
-- discussion of Cuban charge of probable US germ warfare measures. agreement that we must be on alert for further developments in this direction. m/c that picket sign materials be purchased, and held ready for emergency use.

Algeria -- nothing new to report.

Financial: B.S. elected treasurer, dues collected.

Educational: AJ on the Québec left tendencies. followed by questions and brief discussion.

Peace Movement: Comrades notified by E.S. that La Macaza demonstration now slated for June 21st, in order not to conflict with June 24th separatist demonstrations in Montreal and other urban areas.

about 25 persons only are committed to engage in civil disobedience. Brock struck off to see how many MDNews intend to go, since MDN has broken with Committee of 100 over the demonstrations. Active discussion re extent and content of our participation. Sharp division of opinion. m/c that further discussion and decision on our participation be postponed till next meeting.

Publication: m/c that in view of lateness of hour, discussion be postponed to next week, with understanding that educational be ~~postponed~~ cancelled, and editorial board meeting (comprising all comrades present) be incorporated into meeting.

TU-PAC: nothing to report. Nelson has job in small plant, not good organizing prospects.

New Business: m/c that we hold a social Saturday June 13th, at home of BS and ES. Notices be sent out this next weekend, to all contacts, including Vanguard mailing list.

Constitution: draft prepared by Brock, read and adopted in unanimity. (see attached copy)
future educationals: m/c Nelson, that ~~violence~~ our position on the question of "violence", based on analysis of Minneapolis trial documents, Trotsky's Terrorism and Communism, Lenin's writings, be the topic of educational at meeting two weeks hence. m/c that B.S.I. be speaker.

Calendar: read.

Adjournment: 11:15pm.

MINUTES, Montreal branch, June 9th, 1964.

Meeting convened 9 pm.

correction of previous meeting's minutes: under Membership and contacts, "GC" should read "PC"

m/c that "Press" be moved to end of agenda.

Correspondence: letter from Shane, Ottawa, read and filed.
m/c that subject of this action be discussed at future meeting.

Membership and Contacts: WJ discussed further.
BS reported on Portuguese contact.

National Organizations: nothing reported.

Committees: report on meetings with PP elements going to Cuba.
RM, one of them, interested in Algerian committee.

Treasurer's report: m/c that account be opened, in name of the paper.

Peace movement: report by BS on La Macaza preparations.
m/c by BS that we support the demonstration as fully as possible; specifically, that on Sunday the 14th, we participate in vigil, and the following weekend, hold picket with other demonstrators of the peace movement, accepting the discipline of the march organizers, including going to extent of civil disobedience. defeated.
m/c by Nelson, that as individuals, we may go on Sunday the 14th to participate in vigil.
m/c by Nelson, that on the 21st, we participate with our signs and literature, and not accept the civil disobedience discipline.
(~~amendments~~ to effect that we not violate the base and not endeavour to go to jail, and that we be extremely careful on the question of violence, if questioned by reporters or any one else, both accepted).

Trade Union: Nelson reported being laid off.
also, that Québec Labor relations board challenging the Steelworkers' claims at the plant he organized for them. He and Boudreau are meeting with the Board this Thursday, to challenge the IUE, which management brought in to defeat Steel application.
m/c Brock, that we join pickets at La Presse at 1 pm Saturday, in sympathy with the strikers.
general discussion on the significance of this strike, and developments around it.

New Business: discussion of Social. Notice sent out on weekend.

Calendar: next meeting to be held at GT's on June 18th, if possible.

m/c by GT, that "educationals" be moved to bottom of agenda in future meetings, and preceded by discussion of future and past educationals.
m/c GT, that in future meetings, we provide a short period of about five to ten minutes, in which any political question troubling a comrade may be brought up and discussed; this period to be just prior to educationals.

Press: general discussion re orientation of paper. Finally reached general agreement that while paper should be directed toward politicized workers and militants in separatist and socialist movements, it should be popularly written; writers should make every possible effort to explain complex theoretical concepts in simple manner. discussion of our rôle vis-à-vis that of Parti Pris, for example, and how we differ ~~or~~ actually or potentially from such elements. emphasis on our demand for a labor party, and the need for building a mass movement, based in the working class. Paper must be oriented entirely to Québec, at least in early stages, and we will utilize 1 'Internationale and Quatrième Internationale to round out our presentation of contemporary events. Importance noted of striving to maintain and achieve a balance between the informative and theoretical aspects -- information must not be merely impressionistic, but oriented toward specific conclusions, designed to demonstrate the validity of our program.

m/c that Brock be managing editor.

m/c that AJ be assistant managing editor.

m/c that first issue contain statement of principles ("Where we stand"), rather than manifesto, which might be delayed till later issue, if appearing at all.
also, -to be drafted by Brock.

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short article on La Presse strike, to be written by BS.

m/c that name of paper be La Lutte Ouvrière.

meeting adjourned: 11: 30 pm

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meeting adjourned: 11: 30 pm

Minutes, Montreal branch, June 19th, 1964.

Chairman, B.Sl.

minutes of previous meeting read and adopted

Correspondence: letter from national secretary of League for Socialist Action, expressing fraternal greetings and support, read and filed.

Nelson read draft of letter that he wished to send to Civil Liberties Association of Montreal, requesting aid on his case (re selling of YSF), and action vs. the reactionary laws prohibiting the distribution of literature. also, draft letter to same organization, by Bob S and Edith S., re their warning by police in same connection during Montreal Star demonstration. both letters endorsed.

Membership and Correspondence: Brock reported on contact SH in G'M, Québec, with whom fairly extensive correspondence has been carried on during the past few months. also, report by Nelson on AG.

National Organizations: Brock reported on projected meeting with prominent RINists.

--report by Nelson, re EB's statement to him personally, on the freezing of PSQ activity by party executive, in fear of separatist agitation within party.

Committees:

FPCC: report on picket line in front of Mtl Star, vs. lying and distorting articles on Cuba. FLAP refused to cooperate (Paré: "when you have been in the labor movement for 25 years, you will realize that revolutions aren't made overnight"). Failure of CJD forces to show up. Reaction of Parti Pris and Chartrand, in support of projected demonstration which was later called off, noted.

ES noted recurrence of letters to Star from an AC Thorn, an inmate in St. Vincent de Paul, and writes from a progressive viewpoint. We must go to see him, if possible, to make contact personally.

AASQA: report by Brock on l'Algérie dans le Monde, latest issue, and the importance of our distribution of it.

Finances: report by Treasurer.

m/c Brock, that treasurer approach comrades individually for pledges on a systematic basis.

Peace movement: discussion of technical nature of our participation in La Macaza demonstration.

m/c that publication discussion be moved to bottom of agenda.

Trade Union: Nelson and B.S. reported getting jobs at GSW, represented by Steelworkers.

Nelson reported that United Steelworkers of America, local 6522, instituted in plant he organized, following successful vote today, conducted by Québec Labor Relations Board.

New Business: report on CP-originated slur on comrades BS and E, to effect that they had engaged in black market activities in a certain country.

report on HF, new editor of Sanity.

report on Social and contacts who came.

Calendar: discussion re sub renewal drive, to be launched now, (for Vanguard) and carried on throughout summer.

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Publications: discussion of the various draft articles submitted for inclusion in La Lutte Ouvrière, first issue. agreement that second issue of paper must contain an analysis of René Lévesque, and what he represents.

Educational: postponed till next week.

M/c that educational the following week be on the nature of a Bolshevik party, speaker Brock.

adjournment: 11:30 pm

Minutes, Montreal branch, June 28th, 1964.

Chairman: B Sl.

minutes of previous meeting read and adopted.

Correspondence: information report from SWP filed.

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Membership and contacts: discussion of Socialist study group of Annonciation, met by comrades attending La Macaza demonstration, and several comrades observed the political atmosphere of that general area.

Notification of new address of Les Copains.

discussion of T.L.

H.R.

Ad'A

P.R.

National Organizations: Nelson suggested approaching Parti Pris over setting up common local, and conducting formal discussion with them, possibility of more formal collaboration with them. strong opposition by some comrades. Nelson withdrew his suggestion.

Question discussed of our ~~xxx~~ participation in separatist demonstrations, after discussion of RIN demonstration in Place Ville Marie on St-Jean Baptiste Day.

Brock suggested that we not be backward in identifying ourselves with separatists on issues with which we agree -- ie, critical support, up to and including actual participation with them in demonstrations etc., but that we be flexible in our orientation, weighing each case on its own merits, and not committing ourselves in advance to all actions by separatists. general agreement.

Committees:

Cuba: Student work party leaves Tuesday from Dorval. press release will be issued.

Treasurers report: notes taken of debt, and treasurer strongly urged to follow up on pledges immediately.

Peace movement: discussion of La Macaza demonstration, and the significance of this action (or lack of action) for peace movement. General agreement that we should try hard in next period to talk to better elements around peace centre, showing them the bankruptcy of peace movement, and gradually orienting them toward positive action in political organizations.

Publications: discussion of "paper's" orientation. Some comrades expressed doubts about validity and correctness of decisions taken previously re paper; specifically, Nelson felt that it should not be so much action-oriented, but more theoretical, not primarily aimed at recruitment to us, but toward gaining acceptance of our ideas by other organizations which outwardly show no significant political differences, and toward which we should have very sympathetic approach. He worries about effect the production and selling of this paper ~~will have~~ by English-speaking persons, will have on left here. Also suggested that it not appear regularly necessarily.

Brock felt that it should appear regularly, and that we should not be inhibited by fact that we are English and paper French, although recognizing that this is handicap. While agreeing with Nelson's general remarks in other connection, felt that paper should not confine itself to Québec; that as anglophones, or not, we do have a contribution to make to struggle for socialism here, in so far mainly as we have international connections, a wealth of theory, and follow in direct succession from the greatest revolutionary party ever, and thus, we might well publish documents and statements of FI, works by Trotsky et al. Would also

lighten our work load in this connection of supplying copy.
B. SL. expressed worry that change in our orientation would detract from our appeal to workers, and suggested that we remain action-oriented primarily, but somehow try to achieve a synthesis of the two within the one paper.
finally moved and carried that paper be a theoretical organ, bearing same name, La Lutte Ouvrière, that it appear regularly, and that it not confine itself solely to Québec scene.
amendment by Nelson that it carry under masthead something about our support of nations to self-determination, defeated.

Trade union: nothing to report.

New Business: nothing " "

Calendar: read out and noted by all present.

Adjournment: 11:20 pm. (Once again, educational postponed till next meeting, which we decided to hold following Sunday.)

(COPY)

La Ligue des Droits
de L'Homme
4121 Marlow
Montreal 28

LD.

June 29, 1964

Dear Sirs,

No doubt you have heard of my case before the Outremont court, the sentencing to be July 21st. I was arrested in front of the Outremont high school for selling YOUNG SOCIALIST FORUM, a socialist youth paper, and charged with selling literature without a license.

I note the similarity of this case with that of the young French Canadians selling QUEBEC LIBRE, who were also suppressed, indicating the sad state of civil liberties in Quebec and how vital and broad the issues of freedom of expression is becoming.

I am concerned that all of us interested in building a better society will be seriously hindered if we can not freely sell and distribute our informational material to the public without fear of suppression, expensive legal costs and prohibitive licensing fees.

It would be a tremendous step forward for social progress and civil liberties in Quebec if a Writ of Prohibition could be obtained prohibiting the city of Montreal, as well as the surrounding municipalities from molesting people who sell or distribute literature on the streets.

I would like to urge you to pursue this action since you seem to be the most qualified and the only interested group concerned with these matters. If I can be of any aid in this activity for civil liberties please notify me.

(original in French)

Sincerely, Robert Horn
for YOUNG SOCIALIST
FORUM

(Found in 1964, Summer)

WORKERS VANGUARD
Box 140, Station N
Montreal 18, Quebec

Dear Friend,

As a reader of the VANGUARD we hope you have found it to be of value in educating and preparing people for a future socialist society in Canada. Over the last year we have been the primary Canadian source of authentic material on the building of socialism in Cuba and Algeria, as well as carrying news of the struggle for socialism throughout the world. Of course while this educates and opens the eyes of Canadians to the possibilities to be achieved here, our reason for being is not just to report what is happening but to take an active part in the struggle for socialism here.

During the last Federal election we redoubled our activities with an increased press run on a ten day schedule to bring the issues of public ownership of the means of production and of nuclear arms directly to the people. Last summer our annual cross country VANGUARD tour went into areas of Quebec and the Maritimes which had not heard socialist ideas for a generation.

Taking very seriously the rising social struggle in Quebec, we have reported extensively upon the activities of the Parti Socialiste du Quebec. We tend to be the only source of information of socialist events in French Canada available to English reading workers. This is an important function which we intend to expand in the near future.

To enable us to carry on these activities we hold an annual fund drive which is now under way. We would like to raise and invest \$4,000 in a future socialist society for Canada and would like to give you the opportunity to participate.

Your commitment large or small will be appreciated but above all we value your support and interest. Please send your contribution to the above address.

Thank you,

WORKERS VANGUARD

Minutes, Montreal Branch, July 5th, 1964.

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Chairman: Nelson

Temporary Secretary: E.S.

Minutes of June 28th, 1964, to be approved next meeting.

Correspondence: Letter from Vern, might stop at Montreal July 25th,

Suggestion: Further correspondence with Vern in order to arrange a house party or formal meeting.

Nelson wrote letter to P.S.Q. about their lack of activity.

Suggestion: we do the same, and contact French speaking members of the P. S. Q. to voice their complaints to the P. S. Q.

Membership and contacts: Discussion on A.L., W.S., O.S., S.R..

Nelson proposed that W.S. be recruited immediately. B.S. expressed doubt. Nelson suggested an informal social where W.S. be present.

National Organizations: B.S. reported distribution of Q.L. planned.

Were invited to a discussion with P.M.

C.P. holding a series of meetings every two weeks, 26th of July
On Peaceful Coexistence.

Committees: Cuba students work party left June 30th, 1964, from Dorval Airport.

Possible panel discussion planned, Trudeau versus Taylor, sponsored by Exchange. Topic on Cuba.

Treasurers report: Note taken of debt.

Peace movement: Suggested that we should hold discussions of what ~~is~~ scientific socialism is, at the Piece house.

Publications: Nothing to report.

Trade Unions: Nothing to report.

New Business: Nothing to report.

Calendar: Meeting Monday July 6th, 1964.

Contact work.

Educational: Given by B.S..

Next educational to be given by Brack on the Nature of the Bolshevik Party.

Further educationals: On the Psychology and Methodology in the work of political recruitment, to be given by Nelson.

Adjournment: 10:30 P.M.

See
minutes
in
July 12th

Minutes of Montreal branch, July 12th, 1964.

minutes of previous meeting read and adopted, with one change: that under "Peace movement", it was only suggested that comrades should be discussing individually and informally with peaceniks, the program and concepts of scientific socialism.

minutes of June 28th meeting also reread. discussion ensued on the general question of character of minutes. m/c that minutes be skeletal, impersonal (ie, that views expressed in discussion not be identified by their spokesmen), and that discussion arguments be recorded only on the general agreement of comrades, in exceptional circumstances. protests registered by some comrades on the ~~ex~~ "excessive wordiness" of previous minutes.

Correspondence: awaiting letter from VO re meeting of July 26th in Montreal.

m/c that we attempt to hold a formal meeting, in a Hall, and that FLAP be invited.

m/c that FPCC name be stressed, and that FLAP not be allowed to reap publicity from the meeting.

m/c that a full mailing be carried out, of all our contacts, for this meeting.

Membership and Contacts: BS told of contact met at school. near completion of card filing system announced, and comrades reminded of commencement of extensive contact drive in Montreal area, effective this week.

National Organizations: report on meeting of some comrades with PM of PP on Monday.

discussion of QL group and FRI

m/c that we distribute our literature as soon as possible to these organizations, and that secty write PF in France re literature.

Committees:

FPCC; m/c that we plan a social(s) in near future in name of Amis du Peuple Cubain, with Cuban sailors in Montreal harbour as guests.

Algerian Committee; notification of Centre of Islamic studies on Sherbrooke st, and importance of getting Algerian lit. into its library.

Treasurers' report: pledges received.

Peace movement: report on trial of Light and Christian, by Nelson; case postponed until Sept 21st.

Publications: m/c th at Sept 1st be deadline for appearance of first issue of La Lutte Ouvrière. Brock explained reasons for this decision.

Trade union: nothing to report.

New Business: report on contact SE

Next meeting to be held Saturday July 18th, in afternoon.

Calendar read,

Meeting adjourned, 11:30 pm

(Nelson in chair, Brock secty.)

SUBJECT: Suppression of Y.S.F. sale in Montreal and resulting trial

After selling Y.S.F. at Outremont high school in Outremont, a municipality bordering Montreal, I was arrested by police upon complaint by the principal. I sent an appeal to the Ligue des Droits de l'Homme notifying them of the case, requesting their aid and requesting that they obtain a writ of prohibition nullifying the by-law prohibiting the sale and distribution of literature without a license, stating that the by-law is an infringement upon civil rights. I received their reply dated July 17, 1964 stating that my letter was under study by their Juridical Commission.

The trial was held July 21, 1964 with a \$10 fine being imposed with costs of \$4. My case was conducted by Steve Blass who has conducted several civil rights cases. An unusual aspect of the case was the handing down of a written judgement by the Judge instead of a simple verbal guilty or not guilty. This gives us the basis for an appeal as well as having a concrete judgement to criticise.

Recommended line of immediate action: To continue working with the L.O.H., requesting that they take the case and appeal it as well as obtaining a writ of prohibition.

To publicise the case by notifying civil rights groups throughout Canada asking that they protest this law, as well as writing some lawyers and public figures liable to spread publicity and arouse interest in the case. To demand that the provincial gov., which delegates powers to the municipalities, forbid the municipalities from requiring a license for the sale and distribution of political literature.

Possible future action depending upon results of previous campaign: To accept the invitation by the French nationalists that we join their united front protesting the suppression of literature sales by the police. Their activity to commence in September.

To form an ad hoc committee, not contradicting the above, for the defense of the right to sell and distribute political literature but revolving around Y.S.F. It may hold public protest meetings at schools and universities as well as publish a booklet upon the issue.

Copy to: Y.S.F. Toronto
Y.S.F. Van.
L.S.A. Toronto

Robert Horn
July 25, 1964
Montreal

(Filed in 1964-Summer)

MONTREAL STAR INSULTS INTELLIGENCE OF ALL CANADIANS

GOLDWATER STYLE HATE MONGERING CALLS FOR ECONOMIC BOYCOTT AND INCITES INVASION HYSTERIA IN THE WORST TRADITION OF THE YELLOW PRESS

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WHAT ARE THE FACTS?

THEN (In the 'good old days')

1,000,000 illiterates, education for wealthy, few rural schools.

85,000 prostitutes in Havana including girls of 9.

Malnutrition, disease, luxury for the few.

25% unemployment, stagnant economy

Slums for the population, luxurious homes for the wealthy.

Economic and social discrimination against minorities

Wealth taken out of the country by pimps, gamblers. Big business kept economy stagnant as a captive market.

TODAY

More schools built in last 4 yrs. than in previous 50 yrs. 100,000 scholarship students in Havana alone, everyone given basic literacy.

Prostitutes rehabilitated through free vocational training.

All children guaranteed milk, adequate diet guaranteed for all regardless of income.

Jobs for all, machines replacing hand labor, growing industrial economy, diversified agriculture.

New homes becoming available to all, rent at 10% of salary

Equality for minorities, including top government posts.

Economy run by and for Cuban people, wealth reinvested into a growing economy.

STOP THE HATE CAMPAIGN. AND LIES -STOP THE INVASION THREAT

FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE - 3566 Lorne Ave., #5, Montreal

Minutes, Montréal branch of la Ligue Socialiste Ouvrière,
Sept 19th, 1964.

secretary: Brock

chairman: (elected for 2-week or 2-meeting, period) Falconer.

meeting commenced: 3:30 pm

minutes of previous meeting read and adopted.

Correspondence: Letters from PC of U.S. YSA and Bannon of Toronto YS read. Discussion arising from them tabled to New Business.

Branch notified of letters sent to Deberry, Mark Lane and CADS in United States, arising from previous meetings' business.

Membership and contacts: discussion of P.,
m/c that WS be dropped from membership,
following report from Nelson.

JK welcomed into Branch

SG admitted to meeting as observer.

National Organizations: report by George on the launching of Révolution Québécoise, a new monthly revue.
discussion on this by Falconer and Brock.
report by Falconer on Club PP meeting, followed by discussion.

m/c that for 2 weeks, we attend Club PP meetings as scheduled, and that after that time we should definitely decide the extent and degree of our participation.
report and discussion on Ryerson meeting.
m/c that we formally propose a meeting with the YCL/LJC Maoists to discuss questions of mutual concern.

Committees: m/c that we contact Trompe et al. re their views on the projected pamphlet by Les Amis du Peuple Cubain containing contributions from French-Canadian participants in summer student tour.

New Business:

(for highly publ. pamphlet)
re name: m/c that our name be La Ligue Socialiste Ouvrière.
m/c that from now on, we elect a Sgt-at-arms at each meeting to answer door, telephone, etc.

re possible visit to Montréal by Malcolm X: m/c that we approach Association Générale des Etudiantes de l'Université de Montréal, Rassemblement pour l'Indépendance Nationale, etc. re possibility of their sponsorship for public meetings for him, to be held, as projected, one at noon (AGEUM) the other at night.

re House: m/c that Branch be responsible for upkeep of the house-headquarters, but that sub-committee of 4 residents be charged with physical details of upkeep.

m/c that separate sets of books Branch/house be kept.

m/c that comrades in residence be responsible specifically only for the monthly rent.

m/c that coffee and possibly (the laws permitting) spirits be served at October housewarming

m/c that invitations be all-inclusive of the left.

Educational: m/c that Reed be speaker at next internal meeting, to be followed by BS at following meeting.

Calendar: read

Meeting adjourned: 6:00 pm.

Minutes, Montréal branch of Ligue Socialiste Ouvrière,
Oct. 1st, 1964.

chairman: Falconer
secty: Brock
Sgt-at-Arms: Nelson

minutes of previous meeting read and adopted as corrected.

Membership and contacts: discussion of P., So., and G.

~~National~~ SG has declined to join on account of
pressure of work, but sympathizes with us.

National Organizations: referred to New Business.

Committees: Algeria; Reed to handle literature distribution.
Brock reported on money contribution to be
sent to L'Algérie dans le Monde from the
Toronto ISA.

Publication: Brock reported on general consensus arrived at
in conversations with leading comrades with regard
to the orientation of the paper. Comrades agreed
that it should be more in the nature of an informa-
tion bulletin than activist oriented, suitable for
distribution to our contacts and politicals rather
than popular enough to be distributed at plant gates,
etc., that it should be theoretical, carrying our
whole program on contemporary issues and questions
of revolutionary theory, that it should initially
appear twice-monthly at regular intervals, that in
format, for purposes of ease of production, it should
resemble World Outlook, that its theoretical charac-
ter in no way negates the possibility or probability
of our distributing leaflets, etc. on specific issues
requiring action, etc.

discussion, JK, Nelson. m/c that the next
meeting include an Editorial Board meeting of all
comrades.

Trade Union: Nelson reported on possibilities of utilizing our
contacts with Greeks and Labor organizers in the
garment industry, to be instrumental in spearheading
the organization of some sweatshops in the area.

New Business: re Malcolm X; m/c that Brock be given clearance to
go ahead and contact AGEUM re sponsoring his visit.
re Mark Lane; m/c that we write again and suggest
evening meeting on Nov. 4th, in conjuncture with
day meeting on same day already scheduled by McGill
Debating Union.

m/c that we distribute SWP material on the Negro
question at Claude Lightfoot meeting of YCL at Mc-
Gill, and this to be responsibility of campus com-
rades.

re Social -- election of Social Committee of resident
members. discussion of social.

re educationals: m/c that there be a regular series
of educationals on French-Canada and the national
Question, to immediately follow the present one (see
below).

re executive: notice given by Nelson of election
to executive posts, to be held next meeting.

re meetings: to be held regularly from now on, every
Sunday nite at 7:30 m/c

re Nat'l Organizations (on referral): discussion on Parti Pris meetings; Falconer, Reed and Brock.
conclusions :

1) that we collaborate in PP activities, but not at expense of our own work, and that we not become too involved in their organizational work.

2) that we be sensitive in our approach to the PP elements, not bludgeoning our ideas, but striving to relate ~~them~~ our international experiences to the Québec scene.

3) that we try to actively involve our PP contacts in our own work, and activize them generally; that we have the perspective of recruiting them to ourselves, as soon as possible.

New Democratic Party: notice of his expulsion given by Nelson, with indication that Brock's may follow.

report on his interview with Orlikow re citizenship case, by Nelson.

m/c that we write ISA NO re using his case as a lever vs NDP right-wing in English Canada and that Nelson be given a free hand to propagandize his own more general case to the press here, as a move toward exposing the Federal Liberal government.

Educational: m/c that scheduled educationals of Reed and ES be tabled indefinitely, to follow next series; that educationals be rescheduled in middle of branch meetings; that executive meet before next meeting, make a report to next meeting on educational program specifically to cover series on French-Canada and national question, and the first in the new series to begin the meeting after the next.
m/c Nelson, that a branch/movement conference be held late fall to discuss and decide our orientation formally with regard to Québec; that this conference to be documented thoroughly.

Next meeting to be Thanksgiving day at 7:30 pm, in view of long weekend,

Calendar read.

meeting adjourned 10:25 pm.

JB.

LA LIGUE SOCIALISTE OUVRIÈRE

62 RUE GUILBAULT O.

MONTREAL 18

Vous êtes cordialement invités à l'ouverture officielle du local de la récemment fondée Ligue Socialiste Ouvrière, section québécoise pour la IVe Internationale, qui aura lieu samedi, le 3 Octobre, 1964, à partir de 8h du soir.

Il y aura une exposition de l'art populaire de l'Algérie nouvelle et de Cuba.

L'adresse est 62 rue Guilbault Ouest (entre les rues St-Laurent et St-Urbain).

Nous vous attendons.

Robert Horn
Richard Fidler
R. Brock

-- pour la LSC

minutes, Montreal branch, Oct. 18th, 1964.

chairman: Nelson
secty: Brock

minutes of previous meeting read and adopted.

Membership and contacts: Falconer at RIN meeting
2 YCLers met at McGill
V., D., S., A.B., and 2 Portuguese
at FLAP meeting
A.S. welcomed into branch

National Organizations:

Reed reported on E de B RC meeting Wednesday nite.
discussion re the question of our orientation toward
Chevaliers de l'Indépendance.

m/c that Falconer and Reed be struck off ~~the~~ to
investigate this group re conditions and
responsibilities of membership.

George reported on Parti Pris meeting

Educations: see lineup reported in previous meetings minutes.

Publications: notice of deadline for 1st issue of bulleting
one week Monday.

~~Educations~~xxx

Treasurers' Report: dues and pledges received.

Educational (internal): by Nelson, on "Lenin and Confederation"
-- the right of nations to self-de-
termination.

Trade Union: nothing reported.

New Business: m/c that we reverse decision of previous meeting,
and that executive to include 5 rather than
3 persons, adding two members-at-large.

Executive elections: elected were:

chairman : Nelson

Organizer: Falconer

Secty: Brock

Members-

at-large: George
Canyon

Campus: m/c that this be made separate item from now on.
report by B.S. on his T-baiting at McGill. (Brian?)
Mark Lane to speak at Redpath Hall, McGill on Nov. 4th
report by George ~~at~~ on U de M situation
report by Brock on formation of Socialist Alliance
at Sir George.

Calendar: read

meeting adjourned: 10:30

La Lutte Ouvrière

organe officiel de la ligue socialiste ouvrière

62 ouest, rue Guilbault,
Montréal 18, Québec,

le 16 novembre, 1964.

Cher(e) ami(a):

Vous trouverez ci-inclus un exemplaire du premier numéro du bulletin La Lutte Ouvrière, organe officiel de la Ligue Socialiste Ouvrière. Nous avons l'intention de le publier, d'abord, une fois tous les deux mois, et puis, aussitôt que possible, une fois par mois. Si vous vous abonnez, nous serions capables de le faire mensuel très bientôt.

Nous espérons que vous trouverez ce bulletin intéressant. Dans les quelques prochains numéros, nous publierons des commentaires sur ce qui se passe dans les mouvements syndical et étudiant, les questions devant lesquelles la gauche québécoise fait face, et les analyses et déclarations de la Quatrième Internationale au sujet de l'actualité... et ainsi de suite.

Nous sommes d'avis que nous avons une contribution à faire aux débats et aux éclaircissements d'une gauche révolutionnaire. Nous espérons que vous êtes d'accord.

Salutations fraternelles,

J. Richard
J. Richard, rédacteur

(pour un bulletin d'abonnement, voir au verso)

minutes, Montréal branch, La Ligue Socialiste Ouvrière, 22nd Nov. 1964

(section anglaise)

chairman : Blain

secty : Bourhis

minutes of previous meeting read and adopted

correspondence : m/c to ~~table~~ file letter from D.P. of Ontario

membership and contacts : discussion of R.D., P.V., R.R., Jamaican from Ottawa

m/c that organizer see A. S. about his attendance at
branch meetings and functions

national organizations : report on demonstration of les Chevaliers de l'Indé-
pendence held afternoon of 22nd Nov.

there were only 150 people there as the RIN did not
participate at all. in order to get police permission
the march went along Dorchester where there were no
people.

m/c that Bourhis be allowed to expand his article on
on immigrants for possible publication in RQ

educationals ; internal, past report - none

future - see line up in previous minutes

Nathalie elected as speaker for The Woman Ques t.

external, past report - report and discussion of Sat. class
by Robert & Blain

future- as previous

publications : report by several comrades on the reactions to La Lutte Ouvrière
reactions quite favourable although the French was criticized

treasurer's report : none

educational : the different left-wing groupings in Quebec by Bourhis

trade union & PAC : nothing

campus : Blain reported that the McGill NDP may be holding a seminar series on
Marxian socialism at which he may be co-chairman with B.L.

new business : report that the debate between La L30 and the Peace Movement has
been postponed until January or February

calendar read

meeting adjourned ~~until~~ at 9:45

minutes, Montreal branch, Ligue Socialiste Ouvrière, Nov. 29th, 1964.
(section anglaise)

chairman: Bourhis
secty: Richard

meeting convened: 7:30 pm
minutes: read and adopted
correspondence: noted

members and contacts: case of A.S. tabled to next meeting.
discussion of R

National Organizations: report on Maintenant colloque
" " Révolution Québécoise colloque

Educationals: internal no report
external report on last class
m/c that we cut the remaining classes to 2 or
3 more, rather than the four scheduled.
these to be: the bourgeois state (1)
the Russian Revolution, possibly
the Socialist future

Publication: report by Richard; Bourhis to be managing editor, in
charge of circulation, etc., in view
of Robert's feeling that he can't ~~handle~~
handle this job in addition to his
responsibilities as organizer.
permission granted Richard to write
PF in France re obtaining transitional
program documents in French, for
partial publication in La Lutte Ouvrière

Educational: by Richard, on our Tasks and Perspectives.
Trade Union-PAC: report by Bourhis on the firing of 2 employees in
his plant, who were somewhat indiscreetly
talking union.

Campus: McGill; report by Bain on NDP class on Philly, for which
hexit bears co-responsibility with Lennihan
4th Dec. Richard to be on panel with YCLer Mergier
on "Cuba: Hope of a hemisphere", sponsored by Socialist Society.

New Business: report by Robert on cleanup committee plans; importance
of keeping headquarters clean

Calendar: read
adjournment: 9:00 pm

minutes, Montreal branch, LSC, December 13th, 1964.

chairman: Bourhis
secretary: Richard. meeting commenced: 8:05 pm.

m/c that we create a sergeant at arms.
m/c that Canyon be ~~sgt~~-at-arms.

Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted.

Correspondence: notification by secty of letter of thanks sent to comrade DeBerry.
Robert filed open letter to branch with secty, ~~the~~ after reading the contents. m/c that letter be tabled to New Business.
Letter from BS of Vancouver to Reed read, discussion of contents tabled to ~~New Business~~. *N.O.*

Membership and Contacts: discussion of Paul, A. Moved/c that latter be dropped from membership.

National Organizations:
FPCC: discussion on BS letter to Reed. no motion on contents. announcement ~~that~~ of demonstration of Chevaliers to be held on Monday, to honor Chénier.

Educationals: internal no report
external no report

lineup on internals: m/c adoption of ~~exec~~ recommendations.
which are: 1 Raiding and the question of international unions
speaker: Robert (10th Jan.)
2 Trade Unions in epoch of imperialist decay
speaker: ~~Mike~~ Bourhis (3rd Jan.)

re documents: reported that documents on Constitution draft and Tasks and Perspectives finished, and to be in members' hands by next Sunday.

Publications: no report

Treasurer's report

Internal Educational: Robert on Permanent Revolution.

Trade Union: nothing reported

Campus: report by Blain on McGill Socialist Society meeting on Cuba.

New Business: m/c that we accept Robert's resignation as organizer.
m/c that Canyon be new organizer.
Robert withdraws letter to branch.
report on DeBerry meeting: Robert
Bourhis
Richard
notice given by Richard of peace movement's plans to hold demonstrations on Saturday and Monday

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over Vietnam and Congo respectively, and prospective plans of peaceniks to form some sort of coordinating committee of radical (English) groups, to demonstrate on specific issues.
m/c that Nathalie be our representative in negotiations with peaceniks on this question.

Calendar: read

adjournment: 10:20 pm

minutes, Montréal branch, Dec. 20th, 1964.

chairman: elected Robert

secty: Richard

sgt-at-arms: Blain

~~minutes~~

minutes of previous meeting read and adopted

members and contacts : discussion of ~~Amos~~ A., Pam E.,
PP and RIN types present at educational

National Organizations:

report on Ligue des Chômeurs, by Bourhis
plans for revolutionary movement of RQ, by Bourhis

report on demonstration of Chevaliers de

l'Indépendance Richard

" on RQ colloque on trade unionism in
Québec Richard

" on peace house meeting on Québec with
Taylor as speaker Richard

Educationals: comment on last internal: Richard

" " " external: "

lineup: last external in series to be held 9th Jan.

Publications: next issue to come out week of January 1st.

Trade Union - PAC: note taken, on suggestion of Robert,
of necessity of secrecy regarding any union activity
we may be undertaking, particularly in CSN, in
view of reports that purge of leftists may be in
the making.

comment by various comrades on the La Presse
conflict, and the end of La ... Libre.

m/c that treas. report and educational (internal) be moved to
bottom of agenda, since Reed and Nathalie not
arrived.

Campus: Blain announced formation of SNCC Friends committee
at McGill University and possibly at U of M.

discussion of projected Monday Congo demonstration

m/c that signs in name of ISO to present
our slogans and programme.

New Business: Richard commented on the importance of comrades
maintaining a sensitive attitude ~~in~~ in work
with French-Canadian contacts.

Calendar: read m/c that next meeting be held Jan 3rd
Since Reed and Nathalie hadnot yet showed up,
educational and treasurers' report postponed
to next meeting, and educationals succeeding
all moved ahead accordingly.

adjournment: 9:00